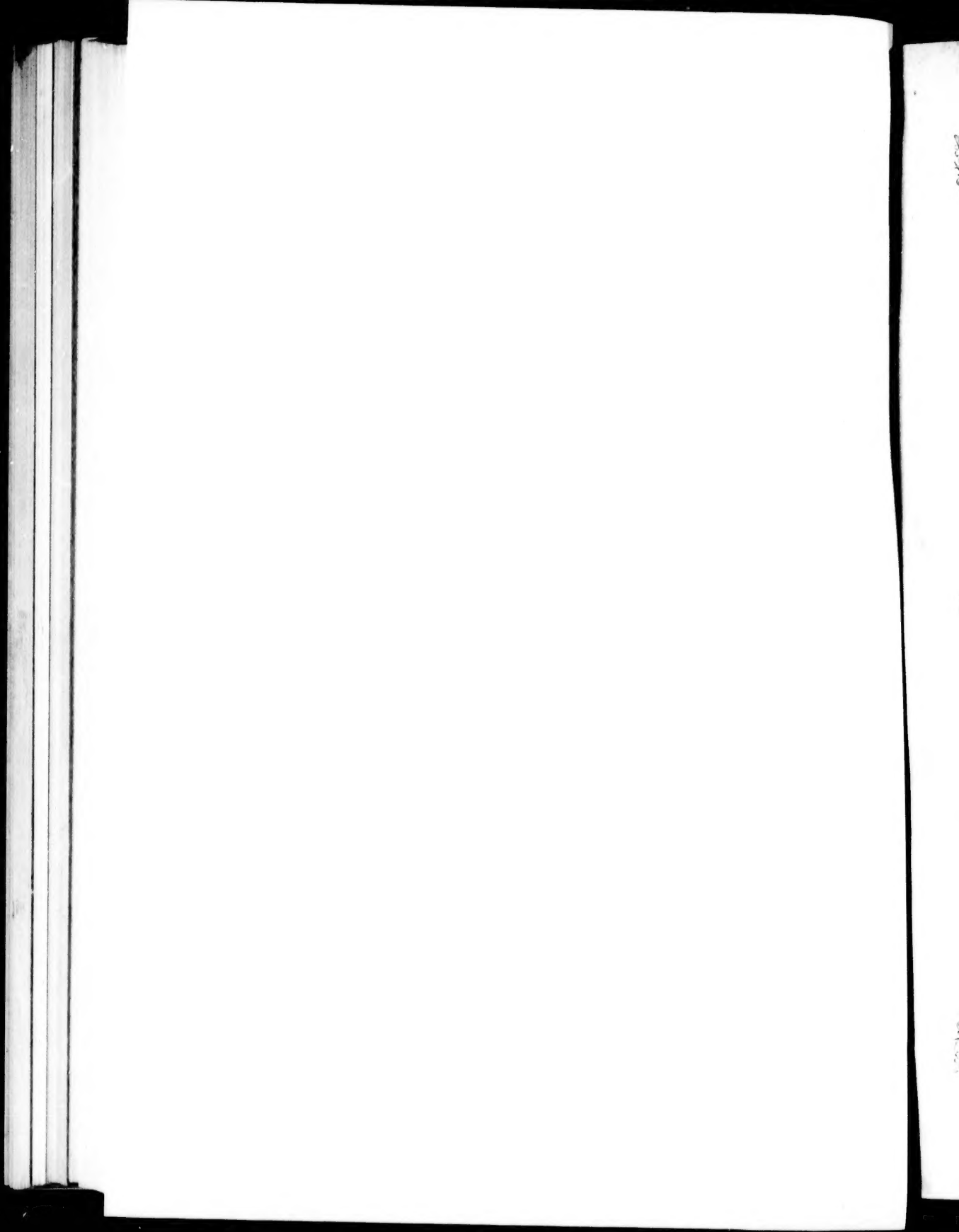




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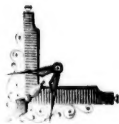
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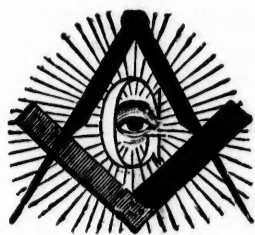
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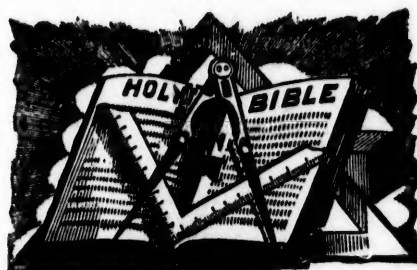
Grand Lodge of British Columbia.

I, HENRY BROWN, Grand Secretary of the M.: W.: Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the Province of British Columbia, Dominion of Canada, do hereby certify that the following pages contain a true and faithful transcript of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge at Special Session, Dedication of Temple and Exemplification of Ritual, March 28th, 1889, and the Annual Communication held in the City of Victoria, on Saturday, June 22nd, 1889, and terminated on June 24th, 1889, and of Returns of Subordinate Lodges, together with other matters authorized to be published.

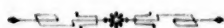


In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto appended my official signature, and have affixed the Seal of the Grand Lodge of the Province of British Columbia, at the office of the Grand Secretary, in the Masonic Temple, City of Victoria, this first day of July, in the year of light, five thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.

A. Brown
Grand Secretary



SPECIAL COMMUNICATION
OF THE
GRAND LODGE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
A. F. & A. M.



Dedication of Masonic Temple,
AT THE
CITY OF VANCOUVER,

—ON—

FRIDAY, MARCH 29TH, 1889,

—AND—

EXEMPLIFICATION OF RITUAL,

1st, 2nd and 3rd Degrees of Masonry,

AS PRACTISED BY

THE VARIOUS LODGES IN THE JURISDICTION

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND LODGE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

SPECIAL COMMUNICATION,

HELD AT VANCOUVER, ON FRIDAY, MARCH 29,
and following days, for the purpose of Dedication
the Hall of Mount Hermon No. 7 and Cascade No. 12 to
Masonry. Also to witness the Exemplification of the First,
Second and Third Degrees in Masonry, as practised by the
various Lodges in the Jurisdiction.

The Grand Lodge was opened in ample form by the
M. W. A. R. MILNE, Grand Master, in a convenient room
adjacent to the Hall about to be dedicated, at 2:30 p.m. A
procession was formed in the following order :

Grand Tyler, with drawn Sword.
The Symbol of the Lodge covered with white linen carried by four
Past Masters.
Grand Stewards with white rods.
Grand Standard Bearer.
Grand Director of Ceremonies.
Grand Superintendent of Works, with square, level and plumb.
Grand Secretary, with Book of Constitutions.
Grand Treasurer.
Past Master, with Bible, square and compasses.
Grand Chaplain.
Past Grand Officers, with lighted tapers.
Past Grand Wardens.
Past Deputy Grand Masters.
Grand Junior Warden, with silver vessel filled with corn.
Grand Senior Warden, with silver vessel filled with wine.

Deputy Grand Master, with gold vessel filled with oil.

Past Grand Masters.

Grand Pursuivant.

Grand Deacon

GRAND MASTER.

Grand Deacon

Grand Sword Bearer.

Upon arrival at the door, they halted and were announced, when the head of the procession entered the door, the W. M. called up the brethren. The procession moved towards the East, passing West and North of the Altar, during which there was instrumental music. The music continued while the procession marched three times around the Hall. On the third circuit, when the Grand Tyler reached the foot of the dais in the East, the symbol of the Lodge was placed upon the stand. The three Great Lights, and the Gold and Silver Vessels, with the Corn, Wine and Oil, were placed around the representation of the Lodge, at the head of which stood the pedestal, with the Great Lights laid thereon, and upon another pedestal the Constitution, Charter and By-laws. The Grand Officers then opened to the right and left, facing inward. The W. M. then called on all the brethren present to join in receiving the Grand Officers with the Grand Honors. The Grand Marshal and Grand Tyler then passed through the lines and escorted the Grand Master to his station, the Master taking a seat on the left; after which the Grand Marshal escorted the Deputy Grand Master, Grand Chaplain and Grand Wardens to their respective stations; the brethren were then seated by the Grand Master, after which the Grand Marshal requested the other Grand Officers to repair to their respective stations in the Hall.

The brethren were called up and the following opening ode was sung:—

Air—America.

1. Thou who art God alone
Accept, before Thy throne,
Our fervent prayer
To fill with light and grace
This house, Thy dwelling place,
And bless Thy chosen race.
Oh, Lord, draw near.
2. As through the universe
All Nature's works diverse
Thy praise accord.

Let Faith upon us shine,
And Charity combine
With Hope to make us Thine.
Jehovah, Lord!

3. Spirit of Truth and Love,
Descending from above,
Our hearts inflame,
'Till Masonry's control
Shall build in one the whole—
A temple of the soul
To Thy great name.

The Grand Master then briefly announced the occasion of the assemblage, and the general purpose of the Masonic dedication of Halls:

BRETHREN,

The ceremony of consecrating religious edifices to the sacred purposes for which they are intended, by mystic rites, has been transmitted to us from the remotest antiquity. "History, both ancient and modern, tells us that extraordinary rites of consecration or dedication, have been performed by people of all ages and nations, on the occasion of the first application of altars or temples, or places, to religious uses." Thus Moses consecrated the tabernacle, (Exod. XI. Numb. VII.) Solomon the first temple, (I. Kings VIII.) and returned exiles from Babylon the second. (Ezra, VI. 16, 17.) Among the ancients, ceremonies of the most magnificent nature were often used in setting apart their gorgeous temples to the purposes of worship. A Masonic Lodge is, in imitation of these ancient examples, consecrated with mystic ceremonies to the sacred purposes for which it had been constructed. By this act it is set apart for a holy object, the cultivation of the great tenets of a Mason's profession, and becomes or should become, in the mind of the conscientious Mason, invested with a peculiar reverence as a place where, as he passes over its threshold, he should feel the application of the command given to Moses: "Put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground."

The symbol of the Lodge is a representation of the ark of the covenant, which was deposited in the Holy of Holies of the ancient temple.

In the course of the ceremonies, this Lodge is sprinkled with corn, wine and oil, which are the Masonic elements of consecration. These elements are technically called "the corn of nourishment, the wine of refreshment, the oil of joy, 'and are to the Mason symbolic of the many

gifts and blessings for which we are indebted to the bounty of the G. A. O. T. U.; for the first is emblematic, in Masonic symbolism, of health, the second of plenty, and the third of peace.

The ancient altars were thus consecrated by the offering of barley cakes and libations of wine and oil, and the Jewish ritual gives ample directions for a similar ceremony.

The ceremony of dedicating the Lodge immediately follows that of its consecration. This, too, is a very ancient ceremony, and finds its prototype in the religious services of antiquity. Every temple among the ancients was dedicated to some particular deity, oftentimes to the conjoint worship of several, while the Jews dedicated their religious edifices to one supreme Jehovah. Thus David dedicated with solemn ceremonies the altar which he erected on the threshing floor of Ornan, the Jebusite, after the cessation of the plague which had afflicted his people; and Calmet conjectured that he composed the thirtieth psalm on this occasion. The Jews extended this ceremony of dedication even to their private houses, and Clarke tells us, in reference to a passage on this subject in the book of Deuteronomy, that "it was a custom in Israel to dedicate a new house to God with prayer, praise and thanksgiving; and this was done in order to secure the divine presence and and blessing; for no pious or sensible man would imagine he could dwell safely in a house that was not under the immediate protection of God." (Deut. XX. 5) "What man is there that hath built a new house, and hath not dedicated it? Let him go and return unto his house, lest he die in the battle, and another man dedicate it."

Corn, Wine and Oil are spoken of in a symbolical sense in numerous places in the bible, we carry Corn, Wine and Oil in our processions to remind us that in the pilgrimage of life we are to impart a portion of our bread to feed the hungry, to send a cup of Wine to cheer the sorrowful, and to pour the healing Oil of consolation on the wounds that sickness hath made in the bodies or affliction sent into the hearts of our fellow travellers.

In accordance with our statutes we will now proceed with our solemn services and request your co-operation and careful attention.

The Master of the Lodge then approaching the East, addressed the Grand Master, as follows:

MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER: The Brethren of Mount Hermon Lodge No. 7, and Cascade Lodge No. 12, being animated with a desire to promote the honor and interest of the Craft, having entered and furnished this Hall for their convenience and accommodation, they are

desirous that the same should be examined by the M. W. Grand Master; and, if it should meet his approbation, that it shall be solemnly dedicated to Masonic purposes, agreeable to ancient form and usage.

The M. W. Grand Master responded as follows:

WORSHIPFUL MASTER AND BRETHREN: I accept with pleasure the important and interesting duty which you request of me, and which our laws recognize as necessary. In doing so I take this occasion to express to our brethren of Mount Hermon Lodge No. 7, and Cascade Lodge No. 12, our hearty appreciation of the enterprising spirit which actuated our Ancient Order. In accordance with the teachings of our institution, it is our duty, before entering upon any undertaking, to invoke the blessing of God. We will therefore unite with our Grand Chaplain in an address to the Throne of Grace.

The Grand Master called up the brethren. The Grand Chaplain offered the following

PRAYER.

O Thou Great and Eternal Lord God! source of light and love! The Supreme Grand master and Mighty Architect of the wonders of creation, who from thy throne in the Highest Heaven in mercy lookest down upon all the dwellers of earth, lend, we beseech Thee, thine ears to the prayers and petitions of Thy children now assembled in Thy presence. Pour upon us, and all the members of the Mystic Craft throughout the world, the rich blessings of Thy Providence; give us strength to overcome temptations, to subdue our passions and to practise virtue. Fill our hearts with fear without desolation; with confidence without presumption; with piety without illusion; with tender affection for Thy Divine goodness, and love for our neighbors; make us faithful to our friends and charitable to our enemies. Let all our actions prove to mankind that our lives are sincerely dedicated to Thee, our God and to the relief of our fellow creatures. And finally, when we yield up our breath to Thee, the source of life, may we, bearing the rich harvest of good actions, be admitted into that sublime and eternal Lodge, where happiness reigns without alloy.

Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible—the only wise God be the kingdom, power and glory, for ever and ever. Amen!

Response—Amen. So mote it be.

The Grand Master then seated the brethren, when the Grand Superintendent of Works advanced to the East, and addressed the Grand Master, as follows:

MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER: Having been intrusted with the duty of supervising and directing the workmen employed in the construction of this edifice, and having, to the best of my ability, accomplished the task assigned me, I now return my thanks for the honor of the appointment, and beg leave to return to you the implements committed to my care (presenting to the Grand Master the square, level and plumb) humbly hoping that the result of our labors will be crowned with your approbation and that of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge.

To which the Grand Master replied:

BROTHER SUPERINTENDENT OF WORKS: The skill and fidelity displayed in the execution of the trust reposed in you at the commencement of this undertaking, have received the entire approbation of the Grand Lodge; and they sincerely pray that this edifice may continue a lasting monument of the taste, spirit and liberality of its founders.

The Deputy Grand Master then said:

MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER: The hall in which we are now assembled, and the plan upon which it is constructed having met with your approbation, it is desired of the brethren that it should now be dedicated according to ancient form and usage.

The Grand Master replied:

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL DEPUTY GRAND MASTER: Agreeable to the request of the brethren, we will now proceed with the ceremonies.

The brethren were called up and the following Dedication ode sung:—

(Air—Old Hundred.)

Supreme Grand Master! most sublime!
High thron'd in Glory's radiant clime;
Behold Thy sons on bended knee,
Conven'd, O God, to worship Thee!

And as 'tis Thine with open ear,
The suppliant voice of prayer to hear,
Grant thou, O Lord, this one request,
Let Masons be, in blessing, blest.

O! give the craft, from pole to pole,
The feeling heart, the pitying soul,
The generous breast, the lib'ral hand,
Compassion's balm, and mercy's band.

With charity that pours around,
The wine and oil on mis'rys wound;
And heals the widow's orphan's heart,
Deep pierced by sorrow's venom'd dart.

Then to Thy throne the craft shall raise,
One deathless song of grateful praise;
And, Masons, men in chorus join,
To hymn the power of love divine.

That love supreme, Thy love O God!
Which heav'n itself shall pour abroad;
Till light, life, peace, adorn the vale,
And Angels, men, pronounce—all hail!

The Brethren were seated. The Grand Master said: Brother Grand Marshal: you will form the Grand Officers in procession.

The Grand Marshal then formed the Grand Officers in single file on the north side of the hall, facing East, in the following order:

GRAND PURSUIVANT.

A Past Master, with a light.

Grand Steward with rod.

Grand Sword Bearer.

Grand Director of Ceremonies.

Oldest Past Master, with the three great lights.

Grand Superintendent of Works.

Grand Secretary with Constitution.

Grand Treasurer.

Grand Chaplain.

Grand Junior Warden, with vessel of corn.

Grand Senior Warden, with vessel of wine.

Deputy Grand Master, with vessel of oil.

Grand Jr. Deacon. GRAND MASTER. Grand Sr. Deacon.

The procession moved around the symbol of the Lodge, passing East of the Altar; the *symbol was slowly uncovered* by the Grand Marshal, during which, the first stanza of the Ode was sung.

Air—Old Hundred.

Genius of Masonry, descend,
 And with Thee, bring Thy spotless name:
 Constant our Sacred Rites attend
 While we adore thy peaceful reign.

When the Grand Master arrived at the East, the music ceased: the procession halted, facing inward; the Worshipful Master called up the brethren; and by direction of the Grand Master, the Grand Officers knelt while the Grand Chaplain offered the

CONSECRATION PRAYER.

"Great Architect of the Universe! Maker and Ruler of all the World! deign, from Thy celestial temple, from realms of light and glory, to bless us in all the purposes of our present assembly! We humbly invoke Thee to give us at this, and at all times, *wisdom* in all our doings, *strength* of mind in all our difficulties, and the *beauty* of harmony in all our communications! Permit us, O Thou Author of Light and Life, Great Source of Love and Happiness, to consecrate this Hall and solemnly dedicate it to the honor of Thy Glory!"

At the conclusion the brethren responded.

"Glory be to God on high, on earth peace, good will toward men."

The Grand Officers then arose and moved around the symbol of the Lodge as before, during which the second stanza of the Ode was sung.

Bring with thee *virtue*, brightest maid;
 Bring *Love*, bring *Truth*, bring *Friendship* here
 While social *Mirth* shall lend her aid
 To smooth the wrinkled brow of *Care*.

When the Grand Master reached the East the procession halted facing inward, the Grand Junior Warden advanced and presented the vessel of Corn, saying:

MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER: In the dedication of Masonic Halls it has been of immemorial custom to pour Corn upon the Lodge as an emblem of nourishment. I, therefore, present to you this vessel of Corn, to be employed by you according to ancient usage.

The Grand Master called up the brethren by striking the emblem thrice with his gavel, and poured Corn upon it saying:

In the name of the Supreme and Eternal God, Grand Architect of Heaven and Earth, to whom be all honor and glory, I do solemnly dedicate this Hall to Freemasonry.

The GRAND HONORS were then given *once*. The Grand Master seated the brethren, when the procession moved around the emblem, during which the third stanza of the Ode was sung.

Bring *Charity* with goodness crowned ;
 Encircled in thy heavenly robe ;
 Diffuse thy blessings all around,
 To every corner of the globe.

When the Grand Master reached the East, the Grand Senior Warden advanced presenting the vessel of wine saying :

MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER: Wine, the emblem of refreshment, having been used by our ancient brethren in the ceremonies of dedication and consecration, I present to you this vessel of Wine; to be used on the present occasion according to ancient Masonic form.

The Grand Master called up the brethren by striking the emblem thrice with his gavel and sprinkled wine upon it saying :

In the name of the Holy Saint John, I do solemnly dedicate this hall to Virtue.

The GRAND HONORS were then given *twice*. The brethren were seated and the procession moved around the emblem, during which the fourth stanza was sung :

To Heaven's high Architect all praise,
 All praise, all gratitude be given,
 Who deigned the human soul to raise
 By mystic secrets sprung from Heaven.

When the Grand Master arrived at the East, the Deputy Grand Master advanced, presenting the vessel of oil, saying :

MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER : I present to you, to be used according to ancient custom, this vessel of oil, an emblem of that joy which should animate every bosom on the completion of any important undertaking.

The Grand Master called up the brethren by striking the emblem thrice with his gavel, and sprinkled Oil upon it, saying :

In the name of the whole fraternity I do solemnly dedicate this Hall to Universal Benevolence.

The GRAND HONORS were given *thrice* : the Grand Chaplain advanced and made the following

INVOCATION.

And may the Lord, the giver of every good and perfect gift, bless the brethren here assembled, in all their lawful undertakings, and grant

to each one of them a bountiful supply of the Corn of nourishment, the Wine of refreshment, and the Oil of joy. Amen.

Response: So mote it be.

The Grand Marshal then slowly re-covered the emblem of the Lodge, accompanied by a strain of music; after which the Grand Master resumed his chair, and the Grand Officers their respective stations. The Grand Marshal then made the following

PROCLAMATION.

By order of the Most Worshipful Grand Master, I do hereby proclaim, that the Hall, in which we are now assembled, has been dedicated to the purposes of Freemasonry in due and ancient form. All persons interested will take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

HYMN. (Air—Melcombe)

Master Supreme, accept our prayers,
And bless this consecrated band;
Parent of light! illumine their ways,
And guide them by Thy sovereign hand.

May Faith, Hope, Charity divine,
Here hold their undivided reign;
Friendship and harmony combine
To sooth their cares and banish pain.

May wisdom here disciples find,
Beauty unfold her thousand charms.
Science invigorate the mind,
Expand the soul that virtue warms.

May pity dwell within each breast,
Relief attend the suffering poor,
Thousands by this our Lodge be blest,
Till worth distress'd shall want no more.

ADDRESS

BY THE

M.: W.: GRAND MASTER

In response to your invitation, we have, in accordance with ancient form and usage, dedicated to Freemasonry these apartments which you have so wisely arranged for your accommodation, and so completely furnished. It is with pleasure that the Grand Officers join in the ceremonies of an occasion so auspicious to the interests and history of your Lodges, and it is highly proper for me to express the interest of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia in your prosperity, and its gratification that Mount Hermon and Cascade Lodges now enter upon an epoch of renewed success. I congratulate you, Brethren, upon the beauty and convenience of your new apartments, and upon the increased Masonic interest which these can but excite. It gives me great pleasure to observe these satisfactory surroundings, which prophecy so clearly a new era in your Masonic history.

Here in this fair and prosperous city, Freemasonry is now firmly established; here now it has a local habitation and a name" and it is for you to determine by your conduct the value and the character of that name. The best founded of all human institutions may sink into disrepute, and fall into oblivion, if the high principles on which they are based are not exemplified in the lives of those who profess to be the exponents of the teachings and doctrines of these organizations. Our Craft aims, by its injunctions and symbolisms to produce among its votaries the highest moral results; to make the exemplary man; to enlarge the feelings; to amend the heart; and, if combined with these is the spirit, the divine warmth, and blessings of a true Divinity, which stirs within; the result is a man complete and perfect as frail man can be. There can be no completeness without the divine essence. Mere morality may smooth the path of life, but we must have a faith to point to happier skies, to an unclouded immortality. For such high and holy purposes you, my brethren, are here to congregate. Here are to be held those reunions where you are to gather round that altar, as brothers of a brotherhood extensive as the earth. Holy, indeed, is that commun-

ion, the essential teaching of which is of that commandment which enjoins to Love thy neighbor as thyself. Here may that true fraternal spirit be so engendered and prevail, that it may inspire your hearts, as members of a great community, to those kindly feelings towards all of your fellow-citizens of this widespread land, that will conduce to the harmony and the prosperity of our glorious province.

Masonry is of two kinds, operative and speculative. It is not to that Masonry properly called operative, which consists in the construction of material edifices, that a Masonic Hall is dedicated; but rather to that Masonry called speculative, which consists in the erection of a spiritual temple, by means of symbolic instruction. Yet the two are inseparably blended; for the latter utilizes, adopts and symbolizes "for its sacred purpose all the implements and materials of the former, deducing wise and salutary lessons. This Hall becomes thereby more than a lecture-room, a philosopher's seat, a forensic platform is set apart to the study of a science,—that of being, doing and living the best.

This is the quarry where rough ashlers are selected, which under the disciplinary forms and wisdom of our ritual, become smooth ashlers, living stones, fitted for a place in the temple of the skies.

This Hall becomes a moral battle ground, where the contest is waged between truth and error, virtue and vice, and only the best material is selected for our spiritual building. Here the outward turmoil reaches not; here the din of worldly conflict is not heard; here the oppositions and clamors of worldly strife prevail not. This spot is sacred to peace, charity, goodwill, and to all those graces that exalt and redeem man. Its lesson begins in the North-east and continues through all the points of the compass. It extends from earliest Apprenticeship, through the Craftsman's toiling and the Master's perfecting work, ending only with the limit of his strength and life. The foundation is laid strong and deep; then the structure grows with endeavor, study and fidelity. It gains new symmetry as the work progresses; it raises its grand arches and lofty towers, perfects and adorns the whole moral structure, until a spiritual temple, sacred and eternal, stands complete for the approval of the Grand Master of our race.

The science of Masonry, whose academy this Hall henceforth becomes, concerns every Mason, in every relation, condition, office and duty. Here our brethren will be taught, and here they should begin to apply, all those golden precepts and divine truths which ennoble humanity and exalt the brotherhood. Here appear the beauty and holiness of charity; the grandeur of knowledge and the glory of a fearless fidelity. At first the heart is impressed with solemn truths, which

should give birth to noble resolves; then follows the reaching out of the mind in the paths of knowledge, and admission is gained to the chamber of truth; progressing, practical lessons of morality inspire the cheerful hope that, by personal obedience to right, the gateway of the east will sooner or later open, disclosing to the soul a higher life.

This Hall will be the exalted place where Masonry will unveil the best way for men to walk, the truest end of human living, the broadest field of human study, the richest mines of heavenly good, and will prophesy the happiest results when the goal of earthly life is reached.

To such high aims and glorious results we dedicate this Hall.

It is dedicated to Virtue,—not only to personal chastity, correct deportment and abstinence from vice, but to that excellence of personal character which constitutes mind and value; that active quality which has strength and efficiency represented in the noblest manhood and the most exalted character.

We dedicate this Hall to universal Benevolence. Here are recognized the bonds which bind all men together; towards whom, irrespective of condition, sex or color, our fraternal charity should be extended but especially towards those who are of this household of faith. Here the spirit of doing good and a desire to promote human happiness should be taught and cultivated; ill doing should be trampled out: the seed of unhappiness should be destroyed. These sacred walls shall re-echo only words of helpfulness, wisdom and love; which, resounding in the outer world, should prove our universal goodwill, a universal charity, thereby promoting the happiness of this entire community. Let our benevolence be such as is manifested in deeds of charity, acts of kindness, and words of fraternal goodwill.

To such high purposes do we dedicate this Hall. Surely it ought to be a Holy of Holies. Here true men, blessed by the sweetest influences of Heaven, should help, aid and assist, encourage, comfort and bless, one another. This East, radiant with wisdom and charity, should be like the golden morning when first the sun breaks through the eastern gates and floods the earth with light and joy.

This Temple, dedicated to the great I AM, should be a retreat from worldly confusion, a shelter from worldly storms, a defence against the assaults of outward foes. Here no Prophet may bring down the heavenly fires to consume, but the spirit of divine goodness will continually descend to strengthen and bless the cheerful seekers of his presence.

This new Hall, wherein Masonic Virtue and Universal Benevolence should be sought, occupied by earnest devotees of

our Order, can but be an honored and loved place, a family hearth stone, a gladsome retreat. May these high purposes be more than realized. May peace ever abide within these walls and prosperity adorn the place. May the best work and the best agreement here be seen. May the loftiest and the lowest, all meeting on a common level, realize the blessedness of our Order, the value of every virtue and the glory of universal charity. May the seasons come and go; may passing years make decades and decades centuries yet co-equal with returning seasons, may the principles of Ancient Craft Masonry receive the fellowship of the living and of coming generations, until they shall extend from farthest east to farthest west, from farthest north to farthest south; and all men everywhere meet on the level, act by the plumb, and part upon the square. Then shall there be but one universal hall; but one universal altar, but one Grand Master, Whose authority all men shall acknowledge and obey; Whose love all men shall know; Whose blessing all men shall receive; Whose presence all men shall enjoy.

BENEDICTION BY GRAND CHAPLAIN.

Blessed be the Lord that hath given rest unto His People. The Lord our God be with us, as He was with our *fathers*; let Him not leave us, nor forsake us: that he may incline our hearts unto Him, to walk in all His ways, and to keep His commandments and His statutes, and His judgments, which He has commanded.

RESPONSE: Glory be to God on high, on earth peace, good-will toward men.

So mote it be. Amen.

The Grand Marshal then reformed the procession, and Grand Lodge retired.

Evening Session.

MARCH 29TH.

The M. W. Grand Lodge was opened in ample form at 7 p. m. in Masonic Hall, Vancouver, which had been kindly placed at the disposal of the Grand Lodge, Most Worshipful A. R. Milne presiding.

The Grand Secretary being called upon, read the summons, calling the meeting, which was for the purpose of witnessing the exemplification of Masonry in the First, Second and Third degrees as practised by the different lodges in the jurisdiction.

Telegrams and letters were read from several past officers and members of Grand Lodge, regretting their unavoidable absence.

The M. W. Grand Master stated he wished to leave the matter of procedure entirely in the hands of the brethren, but suggested if agreeable that Victoria-Columbia Lodge, No. 1, be the first to exemplify their work.

Bro. Sibree Clarke, R. W. Deputy District Grand Master, moved, seconded by R. W. A. McKeown, G. J. W., that the suggestion of the Grand Master be adopted and that lodges proceed in the order of their respective numbers on the Grand Lodge register.

Bro. Grant asked for an explanation as to the object of the present meeting, and would like to know if it was the intention to try to unify the ritual.

The Grand Master explained the position of Masonry at the formation of Grand Lodge, and stated, that however desirable the uniformity of ritual might be, still there were certain privileges, granted to Lodges in existence at the formation of Grand Lodge, which would have to be respected.

Bro. Stewart also spoke in favor of an uniformity of ritual.

The resolution was then put and carried.

The Grand Master called upon Bro. Russell, W. M. of Victoria-Columbia No. 1, to proceed.

Bro. G. S. Russell, then assumed the chair, and with the following Officers of his Lodge: T. B. Pearson, Senior Warden, W. J. Quinlan, Junior Warden, B. Williams, Senior Deacon, W. R. Brown, Junior Deacon,

A. St. G. Flint, Inner Guard, assisted by Past Master W. W. Northcott exemplified the first and second degrees.

Time 10. p. m. The M.: W.: Grand Master resumed the chair and the Grand Lodge was called off until 9.30 a. m. on Saturday 30th

A most enjoyable and pleasing episode here occurred: by the invitation of the Vancouver brethren, the Grand Lodge and visiting brethren, numbering about 200, formed procession and marched to the Hotel Vancouver, where a sumptuous banquet was prepared. Bro. Oppenheimer, D. D. Grand Master, No. 2 District, occupying the chair, with Bros. Garrioch and W. Downie, Worshipful Masters of No. 7 and No. 12 in the vice chairs. After doing ample justice to the good things provided, one of the pleasantest and most agreeable re-unions it has ever been our good fortune to be present at was enjoyed. Toasts, songs, recitations and interchange of good wishes prevailed until the small hours, when the brethren dispersed well pleased with their hosts.

SATURDAY, MARCH 30TH, 10 A. M.

The Grand Lodge resumed labor. The Grand Master called on Bro. Russell, who assumed the chair and completed the exemplification of the work of his Lodge. Bro. Russell and his officers advanced to the pedestal and expressed a hope that the exemplification just completed would meet with the approval of the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master stated he had listened with great interest, and thanked the brethren for their attendance and ordered the event fully recorded.

Bro. Wolfe, P. M. Ashlar No. 3, also desired to express the pleasure he had experienced in the work just completed, and asked permission to move a vote of thanks to Victoria-Columbia Lodge No. 1, for the very able work they had per-

formed. Seconded by Bro. Hoy, P. M. of Union Lodge No. 9, and carried.

Grand Lodge was then called off for 15 minutes.

Labor resumed at 11.30. Bro. Miller of Vancouver Quadra No 2 was called to the chair

Bro. Stewart, P. M., Ashlar, here suggested that the order of procedure be changed, and that No. 2 be followed by Nos. 7, 9, 10, and 12 and that No. 3 be allowed to exemplify the 3rd degree in the evening. After a desultory discussion for about half an hour, the Grand Master called on Bro. Miller to proceed, who being assisted by W. Past Masters, Bro. Manson in the West, Bro. Oppenheimer in the South, Bro. Moss as Senior Deacon, Bro. Buie as Junior Deacon, Bro. Dawley as Inner Guard, conferred the first degree in a very able manner. Having completed their work, Bro. Miller expressed a hope that the work in the first degree just exemplified would meet with the approbation of the M. W. Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master complimented Bro. Miller on his very creditable work under the disadvantages of not having a complete staff of his own officers present. Time 1.15.

Grand Lodge was called off until 2.30.

3. p. m. Grand Lodge at labor.

The Grand Master stated that satisfactory arrangements had been made and that the second degree would be exemplified by Mount Hermon No. 7, and Union No. 9 combined.

Bro. Buie, W. M. of Union, No. 9, assumed the chair, Bro. Charleson in the West, Bro. McAllister in the South, Bro. G. Thomas, Senior Deacon, Bro. Garrioch, Junior Deacon, Bro. Manson, Inner Guard. The degree of a fellow craft was conferred, Bro. Manson giving the lecture.

Bro. Buie, on behalf of Lodges No. 7 and No. 9, stated he hoped the degree as conferred would be approved by

the Grand Lodge, the Grand Master thanked the brethren for their attendance and able exemplification.

Bro. Tunstall, W. M. of Kamloops Lodge, No. 10, stated that they were quite ready with their work, but were willing to expedite the labors of the session to give place to other Lodges.

Bro. W. Downie, W. M. of Cascade, No. 12, said he would with his officers be pleased to exemplify the three degrees at the evening session, but could not now take charge, as his officers were not all present.

Bro. Clarke, D. D. G. M. District No. 3, made a few remarks on the work as exemplified by Victoria-Columbia No. 1.

Bro. Tunstall then assumed the chair and assisted by Bro. Clarke in the West, Bro. McGregor in the South, Bro. Downie as Senior Deacon, Bro. Black as Junior Deacon, and Bro. Russell as Inner Guard, exemplified the opening and closing of the Lodge as worked in Kamloops No. 10.

The Grand Lodge was called off until 6.30 p.m.

6.30 p.m. Grand Lodge at labor.

Bro. W. Downie, W. M. of Cascade, No. 12, having assumed the chair and being assisted by Bro. W. R. Dunn as Senior Warden, Bro. L. R. Johnson, Junior Warden, Bro. Cannon Senior Deacon, Bro. Henderson Junior Deacon, Bro. Miller, Inner Guard, Bros. Leask and Davidson, Stewards, proceeded with the labor and exemplified the First, Second and Third degrees of Masonry as practised in Cascade Lodge No. 12, closing at 10 p.m.

Bro. Downie announced to Grand Lodge that they had shown the regular work of Cascade No 12. The Grand Master passed a high compliment on Bro. Downie and his officers.

Grand Lodge called off for 15 minutes.

10-15. Grand Lodge at labor.

The M.: W.: Grand Master stated the exemplification of the work would be closed by the members of Ashlar Lodge, No. 3, exhibiting the Third degree.

Bro. Wolfe assumed the chair. Bro. Lees as Senior Warden, Bro. J. Abrams as Junior Warden, Bro. Leighton, Senior Deacon, Bro. J. Frame as Junior Deacon, Bro. R. Craig as Inner Guard, Bros. Oppenheimer, Waitt, Manson and several of the brethren assisting in the work. Bro. Stewart delivering the lecture and charge on the completion of the work. The M.: W.: Grand Master having resumed the chair, Bro. Wolfe called up his officers and stated they had given a true and faithful exposition of the work as practised in Ashlar, No. 3. The Grand Master thanked the brethren for their attendance and complimented them on their execution.

The hour being late, the Grand Master said he would not detain the brethren by any lengthy remarks, but wished to call attention to the meeting at 9.30 a. m. on Sunday 31st, for the purpose of attending Divine Service, and hoped as many as could possibly attend would be there.

Grand Lodge was then called off until 9.30, Sunday 31st.

SUNDAY 31st.

9:30.

Grand Lodge was called to labor and a procession formed by the Grand Marshal, Bro. Mowat, assisted by Bro. Stewart. There were about 175 brethren present, who marched in regular order to St. James Church, where special services had been arranged in which the brethren heartily joined. The sermon was preached by the Rt. Rev. Lord Bishop of New Westminster, V.: W.: Grand Chaplain, and was listened to with wrapt attention by the large congregation assembled.

At the conclusion of the service the procession was reformed and the brethren returned to the Lodge room.

The M. . W. . Deputy Grand Master, Bro. Clute moved, seconded by R. . W. . Bro. Oppenheimer, D D. G. M.:—
 “That the thanks of this M. . W. . Grand Lodge be presented to the V. . W. . the Grand Chaplain Bro. Sillitoe for his most able and instructing discourse to-day, with the request that he will furnish Grand Lodge with a copy of the same in order that it may be embodied in our Grand Lodge proceedings.”—Carried.

Bro. Past Grand Master, W. Dalby moved, and Bro. Past Grand Treasurer M. W. Waitt seconded:— “That the thanks of this M. . W. . Grand Lodge be tendered to the Rector of St. James Church for his kindness in placing the sacred edifice at the disposal of the Grand Lodge.”—Carried.

Bro. P. M., W. W. Northcott moved, and Bro. Geo. S. Russell, W. M. No. 1, seconded:—“That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are due and are hereby tendered to the officers and members of Mount Hermon, No. 7, and Cascade, No. 12, for the use of their hall and their many acts of kindness while exemplifying the different rituals of the various Lodges practised in this province, and this Grand Lodge appreciates with pleasure, the fraternal greetings that have been extended to them during their visit to this new and enterprising city of Vancouver.”
 —Carried.

On behalf of the Grand Lodge, the M. . W. . Grand Master thanked the brethren of Mount Hermon, No. 7, and Cascade, No. 12, for their kindness in placing their Lodge at the disposal of the Grand Lodge on this occasion. Brothers Garrioch and Johnson replied on behalf of the Lodges.

The M. W. Grand Master also wished to thank all the Lodges for their attendance and passed a very high compliment on the brethren for the able manner in which the work had been exemplified.

Bro. McKeown, Bro. Waite and several brethren wished to thank the Vancouver brethren for the unbounded hospitality and kindness extended to them.

No further business appearing, the Grand Lodge was closed in ample form at 12.45 p. m.

A. Brown
Grand Secretary

"The Letter and the Spirit."

A Sermon

PREACHED IN ST. JAMES CHURCH,

VANCOUVER,

BEFORE

The Grand Lodge of British Columbia.

ON

SUNDAY, MARCH 31ST, 1889.

BY

THE RT. REV. & V. W. A. W. SILLITOE, D. D.

LORD BISHOP OF NEW WESTMINSTER,
GRAND CHAPLAIN.

The Letter killeth but the Spirit giveth Life.—2 Cor. iii., 6.

I trust, Brethren, that I may not be deemed impertinent, if I venture to break away, this morning, from a line of thought which has almost become consecrated by long use on these occasions, viz: the historical view of Masonry, and devote my time, and ask your attention to the consideration of the practical teaching of Masonry; the beauty of its precepts, and the nobility of its purpose, and the influence which these ought to exert upon the lives of Masons, when due diligence is applied to the study of them.

This, it appears to me, will be more profitable to us than a dissertation on the antiquity of Masonry, about which we are all of us agreed. We are familiar with its claim in this respect, and we are not concerned with those who doubt it; but not the antiquity of the world itself would lend lustre to any institution, irrespective of its teaching and practice; and the consideration of these, therefore, will be both more instructive, and more interesting, as well to yourselves, Brethren, as to others who hear me.

Not that I will be guilty of the presumption of supposing that with regard to the moral precepts of Masonry I can teach anything to those who are so much more competent to be my teachers, or that I can throw new light upon, or add new force to those sublime lectures wherein its beauties are gradually unfolded to the enquiring mind, but a truth is often emphasized by being presented in a new aspect, and I can, at least, point out the practical application to the personal life, without which, the truth, however beautifully portrayed, or perfectly illustrated, fails in the accomplishment of the Will of its Divine Author. For Masonry is excellent, not only, and even not so much, in its conception, or in its plan, as in its effects. It was the completed Temple which excited the wonder and admiration of our ancient Brethren, and it is the perfect and upright man, true to his Maker, true to himself, and true to his brother, who demonstrates, in his daily life, the Truth of those principles which constitute the foundation stones of the progressive teaching of our Art. For it is not enough that no atheist, or wantonly irreligious man can find a place amongst us; nor is it enough that the doctrine of the resurrection to a future life is embodied in the landmarks of our Order. Something more than this is necessary. We want the

superstructure as well as the foundation ; we want the pinnacle as well as the corner stone. And my anxious desire to-day is to impress upon you all the solemn obligation that is laid upon each of us by the true spirit of Masonry of making daily progress with the spiritual temple of the heart, the moral edification of a perfect man.

Not a mere progress of degrees, or of offices, as if these could, in themselves, supply a deficiency of honor or dignity in the holder of them, but a progress of the inner man in knowledge and virtue, the gradual subjugation of every evil thought, and unruly passion, the preparation of the heart as a fit dwelling place for the All Holy God. Let me take, now, these several points, and, briefly noticing what Masonry teaches with regard to them, examine the practical application of its teachings to our lives. And, first, the teaching of Masonry as regards the Holy Name, and the Word of God

At the very threshold of their Masonic career are our candidates taught that the blessing and protection of the Almighty are necessary to the successful prosecution of every work.

And acting upon this principle, and believing that where two or three are gathered together in His Name, He will be in the midst of them, we make our supplications, and offer to Him our thanksgivings for the light and knowledge He vouchsafes to us.

And so inestimably do we regard the Sacred Name that it is with the utmost caution, and the most profound reverence that we approach the utterance of it, veiling it, indeed, in its most sacred form, till, after many a probation and trial, a Brother has been found worthy to be entrusted with it.

With equal regard and reverence do we esteem the Word of God. So that no Lodge of Masons is complete without the sacred volume, and we apply to it the highest title we possess in the description of the place it occupies in the science of Masonry. It is the first thing upon which the eye of the newly initiated rests, and it is the last thing to which the attention of the brethren is directed when they rest from their labors.

Brethren, nothing can be more true, nothing can be more profitable than this teaching. But then, my duty is to ask you, as Brother Masons, not, do you accept this teaching outwardly, because I know you do, but do you act upon it ? Do you carry away this teaching in your hearts, as you are intended to do, and apply it, as a rule, to every action of your life ? Is GOD in all your

thoughts ? Is He so set always before you that there is nothing your hand findeth to do but what His blessing shines upon you, His sustaining arm strengthens you ? I am speaking of your secular life, not your religious life; and I ask you, do you, in every new enterprise, or in the pursuance of every old one, in every fresh undertaking, do you acknowledge Him as the only giver of blessing, the only Author of success, without Whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy ? Do you so live in His Presence, that, without an effort, as it were by very instinct, your heart and mind are lifted up, seven times a day, in acknowledgment of His Sovereignty, and in recognition of His care ? This indeed is to "walk with Him," and to walk with him is to walk securely, to fear no evil, and to have the assurance of success.

But this hourly uplifting of the heart to GOD, this delight in His Presence is a matter of cultivation; and it is not of natural growth, but spiritual. It is the result of an intimate acquaintance with GOD as He reveals Himself in His word; and it is by making that word a "light unto our feet, and a lantern unto our paths," that we learn the pleasure of serving Him, and the joy that flows eternally from His love. Every Mason, therefore, who would be true to his profession, is bound to be a diligent student of the Holy Book; not satisfied with merely gazing on it as it occupies its conspicuous position of honor in the midst of the Lodge, but truly making it the handbook of his daily life, learning therein the beginning of wisdom, which is the fear of GOD, not a servile or conscience stricken fear, but a holy, reverential awe, such as is due from a creature to his Creator, from a son to the Almighty Father of all ; and learning so to fashion his life according to its precepts, that, when the time of eternal refreshment arrives, he may receive his share of the inheritance of "just men made perfect."

2. My second point is the teaching of Masonry in regard to brotherly love ; and about this, thank God ! there is but little to say, inasmuch as, whatever may be our failings and shortcomings in other respects, love is the predominating characteristic of masonic life, whether we view it in the calm serenity of the Lodge, or in its relation to worthy distressed brethren without. I know nothing that so truly emphasizes the good that still remains in our fallen and corrupt nature as the mutual forbearance, the patient tolerance, and the harmony that distinguish meetings of the fraternity, even on occasions when there is room for wide divergence of opinion. The very atmosphere of the Lodge seems laden with goodwill, and it is as if the Spirit of peace and love made this His special dwelling place. A part of this is due, no doubt, to the solemn Dedication of our

Halls in the name of the Most High, and to the honor of His Glory; but I believe that in greater measure it is due to the spirit of Masonry itself; to those cords of love, which bind us together more firmly than could any material bands; and which, if they only prevailed more generally, would make "wars to cease in all the world, and break the bow, and knap the spear asunder," and bring in the reign of peace and purity and love. This reign, dear brethren, you and I may not live to see, though I for my part do not deem it very far distant; but, at least, it is our duty, each to do his part, according to his vocation and ministry, to prepare the way for the Prince of peace, and the accomplishment of God's great design in the ultimate unity of creation. And, to this end, we need do no more than steadfastly and faithfully carry out the precepts of our order. Our obligations as Masons extend to all mankind. We are in an especial manner, no doubt, bound to our brethren in the craft, but all others are our brethren besides. Love is an infinite thing, and it is beyond our power, as it is beyond our prerogative, to limit it. For if we limit it, it ceases to be. And, therefore, the love wherewith we love our brethren of the mystic family must be ready to include all men alike, and to exert itself on their behalf freely and ungrudgingly, even as the love of God is bountifully poured out upon ourselves.

3. My third point concerns the teaching of Masonry regarding man's duty to himself.

We descend here to a lower plane than those we have occupied hitherto, and yet, when we remember the end and purpose of our being, viz, the Glory of God, it is scarcely possible to regard this branch of our subject as of lower importance than the others. It is a difficult thing, no doubt, when we look around and see the lives that are being lived by multitudes of our fellowmen, to realize that the image of God is stamped upon us, and that for His Glory we are, and were created; but this is so, and the fact discloses the terrible and incomprehensible truth, that every wasted life robs God of a proportion of His eternal Glory. Yes, Brethren, and it discloses this truth as well, that every life that falls short of the possibility of attainment wherewith God has endowed it is a humanly wrought failure of the omnipotent design and will.

There are those who in His inscrutable wisdom, He has left in the darkness of ignorance concerning themselves and Him. For them he will make excuse. It is not so with ourselves. We have the light. We make our boast of the light. And, therefore, if we be not walking in the light, we are stultifying ourselves, we are doing violence to our consciences, and we are mocking the Author of Light.

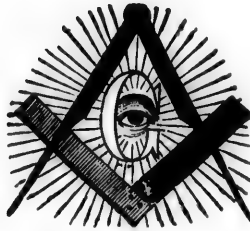
What then does our light teach us in this respect? It teaches the necessity and importance of self control. It teaches us to put

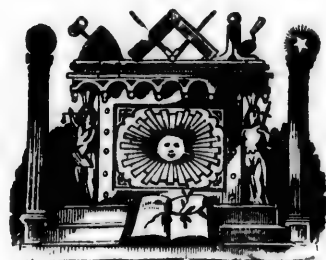
such constraint upon our affections and passions as will bring the body into subjection, and set the mind and spirit above all the allurements of vice. It warns us of the weakness of human nature, unable of itself to withstand the power of darkness, and needing the assistance of that "Power which is from above." It teaches us that life is a School of Discipline wherein the rough corners of our characters are to be broken off, and every jagged edge and rude unevenness made smooth; that so we may be fitted to take our places as "living stones" in that "house not made with hands, eternal in the Heavens." It teaches us, moreover, that this task of self improvement is a hard, and difficult, and weary one, like the toilsome ascent of a winding stair, up which, step by step, we must go, daily being strengthened by an increase of knowledge, and the increase of virtue that comes from the nearer approach to God. It teaches us that the Masonic life is a life of special dedication to the services of GOD, that it is so confessed in the first prayer offered for a candidate within the Lodge; and it is, furthermore implied in the fact of the Dedications of our Halls; for if the material building be dedicated, how much more should they themselves be who dare to dedicate a building to the Most High? For if the temple be holy, so must they be who serve therein. And Brethren, the Holiness which we are taught to cultivate within our Lodges must sanctify our whole life in the world, as well as in the Lodge. We cannot pretend to have a dual existence, one as masons, another as men. We must be upright men, altogether, and at all times, or we are not true to the craft, to ourselves, or to God.

And this, then, is the conclusion I wish to draw:—there must be a reality in all that we do. Masonry must not be a mere profession of morality with the lips, without the solid foundation of a moral life. We must not clothe ourselves with the emblem of innocence, and then put off innocence when we put off the emblem. We must not, one moment, be giving expression to the sublimest sentiments of religion and morality, and, the moment after, become mere children of this world. Masonry is not a pastime, nor the Lodge a club. We are souls in search of the Light whereby we may see and know God, and it is by keeping this object in view that Masonry will prosper, and Masons be built up in virtue and in truth.

Even our best endeavors will but ill prepare us for the presence of the Grand Master, but half heartedness and lukewarmness, and unreality doom us beforehand to disappointment hereafter, and only merit here the contempt of all earnest and straightforward men. A Mason, at certain times, must needs be slipshod, but Masonry itself should never be slipshod. With a perfect Being to glorify, and perfection to aim at

in ourselves, how can we be anything but profoundly and solemnly in earnest? Let the Spirit of Masonry, then, prevail in our hearts and in our lives. Let the Beauty, and Harmony, and Unity of our Order be conspicuous in all we do. Let all the world be better for the good that resides in Masons. Let us in the Lodge, and in the world, be real, and true to GOD, to our neighbor, and to ourselves.





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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

GRAND LODGE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Ancient Free and Accepted Masons.

EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of British Columbia, commenced its eighteenth annual communication at the Masonic Hall in the City of Victoria, Province of British Columbia, Dominion of Canada, on Saturday the 22nd day of June, A. D. 1889, A. L. 5889, at the hour of 2 o'clock, p. m.

ROLL CALL.

Upon calling the roll there were found to be present the following

GRAND OFFICERS.

M. W. Bro. A. R. Milne.....Grand Master.
R. W. Bro. J. S. Clute.....Deputy Grand Master.
R. W. Bro. H. Hoy.....Grand Senior Warden.
R. W. Bro. A. McKeown.....Grand Junior Warden.
V. W. and Rt. Rev. A. W. Sillitoe, Grand Chaplain.
V. W. Bro. H. F. Heisterman.....Grand Treasurer.
V. W. Bro. H. Brown.....Grand Secretary.
W. Bro. M. Wolfe.....Grand Senior Deacon.

W.: Bro. W. W. Northcott.....	Grand Junior Deacon.
W.: Bro. M. Moss.....	Grand Superintendent of Works.
W.: Bro. W. A. Duncan.....	Grand Director of Ceremonies.
W.: Bro. T. Mowat.....	Grand Marshal.
W.: Bro. J. Buie.....	Grand Sword Bearer.
W.: Bro. W. Trickey.....	Grand Tyler.
W.: Bro. G. S. Russell.....	Grand Steward.
W.: Bro. J. M. Miller.....	Grand Steward
W.: Bro. C. N. Westwood.....	Grand Steward.
W.: Bro. J. Hamilton.....	Grand Steward.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

R.:W.: Bro. D. H. Ross.....	No. 1 District
R.:W.: Bro. I. Oppenheimer...	No. 2 District
R.:W.: Bro. S. Clarke.....	No. 3 District

PAST GRAND OFFICERS.

M.:W.: Bro. F. Williams.....	Past Grand Master.
M.:W.: Bro. E. Harrison Snr.....	Past Grand Master.
M.:W.: Bro. H. Brown.....	Past Grand Master.
M.:W.: Bro. T. Trounce.....	Past Grand Master.
M.:W.: Bro. W. Dalby.....	Past Grand Master.
R.:W.: Bro. R. Beaver.....	Past Grand Senior Warden.
R.:W.: Bro. R. B. Kelly.....	Past Grand Senior Warden.
R.:W.: Bro. W. Stewart.....	Past Grand Junior Warden.
V.:W.: Bro. M. W. Waitt.....	Past Grand Treasurer.

With the representatives of ten chartered Lodges and the following

PAST MASTERS.

D. Cartmel.	A. Easson.
T. R. Mitchell.	J. Frame.
J. Piercy.	A. Haslam.
E. J. Salmon.	C. C. McKenzie.
T. Shotbolt.	W. Stewart.
M. McGregor.	P. Grant.
W. Simpkins.	A. McGregor.
R. B. McMicking.	A. H. B. MacGown.
R. Craig.	

There were also present the Grand Representatives of the following

M.: W.: GRAND LODGES.

Arizona.	Louisiana.	Scotland.
Bayreuth.	Missouri.	Tennessee.
Colorado.	Maine.	Utah.
Canada.	Michigan.	Vermont.
Columbia, District of.	New Jersey.	Wyoming.
Delaware.	Oregon.	West Virginia.
Iowa.	Ohio.	Washington Terr'y.
Indiana.	Pennsylvania.	Wisconsin.
Indian Territory.	Peru.	Victoria, Australia.
Kentucky.	South Carolina.	

The M.: W.: Grand Master appointed the following Brethren to fill the places of absentees, *pro-tempore*, viz:—

Bro. R. Craig	as Grand Standard Bearer.
" A. Hookway	" Grand Organist.
" W. Manson	" Grand Pursuivant.
" J. Piercy	} " Grand Stewards.
" J. Quinlan	
" J. Phillips	

The Grand Lodge was then opened in ample form by the M.: W.: Grand Master of Masons in British Columbia, with solemn prayer by the Grand Chaplain and proclamation duly made thereof according to the established ceremonies.

ADMITTED TO GRAND LODGE.

The M.: W.: Grand Master then announced that all Master Masons in good standing were invited to seats in the Grand Lodge during the present session.

The M.: W.: Grand Master announced the following

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

Bro. G. S. Russell.....	W.: M.: No. 1
" J. Bule.....	" No. 9
" W. Downie.....	" No. 12

The Grand Lodge was called off for fifteen minutes to allow the committee on credentials to perform their duty.

On resuming labor, the V. W. Grand Secretary read the following report:—

June 22nd, 1889.

To the M.: W.: Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Credentials having discharged the duty assigned to them beg leave to report that they have examined the Certificates of Representatives and find the following entitled to seats and votes in this Grand Lodge, representing the following Lodges:

Victoria-Columbia, No. 1, Victoria.

Geo. S. Russell,.....Worshipful Master.
T. B. Pearson,Senior Warden.
W. J. Quinlan,Junior Warden.

Vancouver Quadra, No. 2, Victoria.

Munro Miller.....Worshipful Master.
P. Æ. Irving.....Senior Warden.
J. E. PhillipsJunior Warden.

Ashlar, No. 3, Nanaimo.

A. E. LeesWorshipful Master.
Geo. ThomsonSenior Warden.
Geo. Bevillockway.....Junior Warden.

Cariboo, No. 4, Barkerville.

Wm. Mansonproxy, Worshipful Master.
D. H. Ross,....." Senior Warden.
Munro Miller....." Junior Warden.

Mount Hermon, No. 7, Vancouver.

I. Oppenheimerproxy, Worshipful Master.
John McAllister.....Junior Warden.

Union, No. 9, New Westminster.

John Bule.....Worshipful Master.
A. CharlesonSenior Warden.
W. A. Duncan.....proxy, Junior Warden.

Kamloops, No. 10, Kamloops.

S. J. TunstallWorshipful Master.
S. J. Turnstall..... proxy, Senior Warden.
F. H. Robson.....Junior Warden.

Mountain, No. 11, Donald.

J. Hamilton.....Worshipful Master.
 J. B. Johnson.....Senior Warden.
 J. Hamiltonproxy, Junior Warden.

Cascade No. 12, Vancouver.

Wm. DownieWorshipful Master.
 J. W. HorneSenior Warden.
 L. R. JohnsonJunior Warden.

Spallumcheen, No. 13, Lansdown.

S. Clarkeproxy, Worshipful Master.
 A. McKeown..... " Senior Warden.
 Jno. Piercy..... " Junior Warden.

Signed,

GEORGE S. RUSSELL.
 JOHN BUIE,
 WM. DOWNIE.

H. BROWN,
 Grand Secretary.

On motion, duly seconded, the Report was adopted as read.

The R.: W.: Deputy Grand Master asked for a ruling as to the right of the W. M. of a Lodge, being also a Past Master having two votes in Grand Lodge. The M.: W.: Grand Master ruled, "he has two votes."

Letters were read from R.: W.: Bro. M. Bate, R.: W.: J. Reid, R.: W.: Bro. J. Hamill, regretting their inability to attend the present session of Grand Lodge. Ordered to be received and filed.

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Resolved that the reading of the proceedings of the special and seventeenth annual communications be dispensed with, a transcript, in printed form, having been distributed to the members of the Grand Lodge and the several subordinate Lodges, and that the minutes of the special convocations therein reported and of the seventeenth annual communication be hereby confirmed and adopted as presented.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master then delivered the following address:—

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

Right Worshipful, Very Worshipful and Worshipful Brethren,

Since our last annual convocation another year has come and gone. Its events are of the past. The hopes awakened and the sorrows it produced the joys and blights it brought, and the tears that it started are dried, are swept forever from us.

The summer is again beaming upon us in brightness and beauty, gladdening us by its verdant hues and regaling the senses with the perfume and varied hues of its flow. We, who have been taught to speak in emblems drawn from the arts and exact sciences, may also gather a new language from the face of nature; and while without, freshness and delight renovate the landscape, make them the reflection of our feelings and aspirations in this great assembly of our fraternity. Like the rich carpet which the All-bountiful has spread beneath our feet, may we have an evergreen path of truth and gladness on which to wend our footsteps in life's pilgrimage: like the blossoms which fringe it, and which is the tessellated border of God's own handiwork, may the checkered scenes of existence be surrounded with joy and happiness; and may the summer sunshine and the summer rain descend like the blessings of Providence upon all our works. It was indeed a happy thought that prompted our predecessors in the by-gone years to fix the recurrence of our Annual Communication at this gladsome season. It is suggestive of that perennial glow which should animate all hearts when we meet of that everduring bloom which crowns and beautifies every faithful discharge of duty toward our brethren or mankind.

Among the expected events ever before us in the flight of time, which the heart fondly anticipates as we near the point of fruition, to those of the Craft who have parted on the square and travelled upon the level through the vicissitudes of a passing year, is the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Masons.

Since last we separated, manly aspirations, no doubt, have excited each of us to deeds of energy and enterprise, to exertions in the battle of life, where some have won the meed desired, and others, perhaps, have wearied by the way, in trouble and disappointment. Our farewell was uttered in the true sentiment of brotherhood, and, as we parted, each one on his path of life, the strong ligaments of affection between heart and heart, have held us in sympathy in our wanderings, warmed us into action for the fulfilment of our missions, and finally brought us together

again in the satisfactory assurance that our progress as Masons has been onward and triumphant. Let our first earnest desire be, in this happy reunion, that it may so continue through all the ages the history of our Order may chronicle; and, then let us, in unity of purpose, act our parts towards the Preservation of the Temple which has sheltered us, and which we hope may shelter those who will live in that far-off era when our names and our times will only be known as part of the record of a glorious past

It seems to be the decree of the Great Architect of the Universe that our passage through life should be made with a velocity apparently increasing. The days, the weeks, the months, each seem but a tithe of its predecessor. Opened with the star of hope, each marks its meridian with the hand of toil, and crowns its close with the fruition of its morning dream or with a lesson upon the uncertainty of human anticipations. We constitute no exception to this general rule. True, our faith in things immutable leaves little chance of blighted hope, while our universal charity secures to us a more desirable fruition than is the usual portion of the uninitiated world around us; yet must we often drink the cup of sorrow, and tread the barren waste of disappointment.

Thus our previous life and thus the closing year have passed, till once again we meet to compare our work, exchange fraternal greetings, and legislate for the benefit of those who are to succeed us. We meet in annual convocation to correct the errors of the past, to merge personal views in congregated wisdom, to bury prejudice, and, by the electric current of fraternal love to cancel space between the most distant, and fuse the whole body into a living mass, so that with one heart and one soul we may enter upon the duties of another year consecrated anew to the service of Omnipotence in ameliorating the condition of man.

While such a past casts its shade before, and such a future beckons us to toil, we should be led to feel anew the incompetence of human strength and the blessing of proffered power divine. And while we meet, the chosen of the craft, each with a bow of hope upon his brow, the light of faith beaming in his eye, and open hand moving only at the pulsations of a heart of charity, we are compelled to feel that there is a mystic union here, and that all the powers of evil combined cannot successfully make war upon our craft or set a dividing foot upon us.

Thanks to him who controls the destiny of man, that the past has proved this true. No discordant element has been permitted to do more than to poison itself and die, no root of bitterness has flourished in our midst. The retrospect is full of calls for gratitude,

and the future bespeaks a firm reliance upon omnipotence—the one our first duty, the other our only safety.

In this annual meeting of the representatives of a great brotherhood, we lose sight, for the moment, of the purposes which bring us together, in the heart welcome feeling which words but inadequately express. If there be a fellowship of minds, a sympathy of hearts in this wide world, which lifts us above the consideration of self and unites us more closely than the common bonds of friendship, that fellowship and sympathy are to be found around our common altar. A sympathetic chain, bright as the memories we love, binds us ever in fraternal union.

Our brethren of the ages past, generation after generation, have gone down to the tomb, revering with their latest memory the lofty precepts which could fraternize all races among men. The same principles live in our hearts, the same literature in our teachings; and a Grand Annual Convocation of the time-honored brotherhood increases the joy of meeting, by the reflection that we are perpetuating the same lessons, and transplanting the same principles to the ages yet to come.

I welcome you upon this occasion, brethren of the Grand Lodge, with all the feeling and sympathy of a heart long accustomed to appreciate the true value and importance of a friendship springing from the best impulses of our nature, directed by the mystic intelligibility of our Craft, and co-equal in duration with the life of Masons.

I am once more permitted to congratulate you upon the general prosperity of the Fraternity in this jurisdiction. From every quarter the glad tidings come that union and fraternal feeling prevail among us; that, in a remarkable degree, our brethren have been spared by disease and death; and that among them prosperity, health and happiness have abounded. No gloom is noted and no contention heard.

THE FRATERNAL DEAD.

Among the blessings acknowledged, I am permitted to congratulate you upon the general exemption of our members from death. But while this is a subject of rejoicing; we are yet called upon to sorrow that some have been summoned by the fiat of our Supreme Ruler to their last account. A few familiar faces are to be seen no more on earth. Hearts which have pulsed as warmly as our own, are hushed in the cold and silent grave; hands we have

pressed are motionless ; and eyes whose expressive gleam of thought and soul were welcomed in fraternal circles, have closed on time and opened on eternity.

We are especially called to mourn the loss of our worthy brother Coote M. Chambers, Past Grand Master of this Grand Lodge, who departed this life on the 3rd of July last, an honored member of an Order which he loved. He has worn the armour from earliest manhood and fully exemplified in all the walks of life the principles of our profession. His body was conveyed to its last resting place under the auspices of Vancouver Quadra Lodge, No. 2, of which he was an esteemed member, and we have every reason to hope that his work has borne the inspection of the Grand Overseer of the Universe and that he has been admitted into that fullness of joy "where the wicked cease from troubling and the weary are at rest."

A full and complete list of our Fraternal Dead will appear in the report of the Grand Secretary, and on our Memorial Page to our Masonic Dead.

"Those that we loved so long and see no more"

"Loved and still love—not dead but gone before."

ROB MORRIS.

On the 13th January, 1888, our late venerable brother Rob Morris, Masonic Poet Laureate and Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, came to us, and visited nearly all the Lodges in this jurisdiction. His visit was one of much pleasure and profit to us all, and on pressing his hand to say farewell, he promised that if our Supreme Grand Master permitted he would again come to us at our Annual Meeting. On the 31st day of July, 1888, he passed away, and I quote from the Report of the Committee on Necrology of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky the following : "Rob Morris, Past Grand Master and Poet Laureate of Masonry, is dead." This announcement, on July 31, 1888, flashed over the wires carrying sadness, pain and mourning, not only throughout the borders of our own dear land, but to the remotest recesses of the world. Past Grand Master Morris was undoubtedly the most universally known Mason in his day. As a Masonic traveller and lecturer he made the acquaintance and a warm place in the hearts both of peasant and crowned head in every land.

"Born August 31, 1818, made a Mason in 1846, he attained to the highest rank in the York, Scottish and Memphis Rites of Masonry, and on December 17th, 1884, he was crowned "Poet Laureate of Free-Masonry" by a large concourse of the dignitaries of Masonry from all

over our own country and representatives from some foreign shores. This ceremony was performed in the City of New York.

From every land and in many tongues come tidings of the wide spread grief, and extending fraternal sympathies to the Grand Lodge of Kentucky and the family of Brother Morris in the time of their dire distress.

In conclusion let us, as individual members of the Fraternity of Masonry, remember that while our hearts ache, our eyes are dimmed with tears of sympathetic love, and our heads are bowed in meek submission to the will of God, let us call to mind the many beautiful traits of character of our lamented Past Grand Master, who was not only a teacher in the school of Masonry, but he was a lover of its ceremonies and its teachings, and endeavoured by his daily actions to live Masonry, that the benign influences of our Order might permeate society and make better men and better Masons.

We know of no better conclusion to this Report than the words of Brother Morris in the following poem, written before his death, with the request that it be not made public until after his demise:

Brothers, in June or in December,
 Honoring the memory of the dear St. John,
 Then let some kind participant remember,
 The name of him who wrote this but is gone:
 Let some kind brother rise, while all are silent,
 And with deep pathos and fond friendship say:
 He was a Mason, gentle, true, not violent,
 And loved old things that do not pass away.
 He loved his friends, in them his heart found anchor,
 Bound in affection as with hooks of steel;
 As for his foes, he gave few signs of rancor,
 But bore their slanders, patiently and well.
 He loved to make in simple verse that rhyming
 Where ancient Signs and Emblems smoothly lie;
 Where deeds of brother-love and truth are chiming,
 And Masonry is wed to Poetry.
 He loved the word of God, its hopes eternal
 Grew sweeter as the end of life grew nigh;
 A sinful man but saved by grace supernal,
 Trusting in Christ he dreaded not to die.
 At times a cloud the promises disguising,
 And deep humility obscured the scene.
 But the bright Sun of Righteousness uprising
 Dispelled the gloom and warmed his soul again.

He gave the widows and the orphans duly,
 A portion of his hard earned scanty store.
 And though the amount might seem but trifling truly.
 He gave so cheerfully it seemed the more.
 His heart was in his work, to *build the Temple*.
 In fervency he toiled through many years,
 To "build the Temple" spiritual and mental
 He triumphs now —is freed from toils and tears.
 He's gone: the problem that so long he studied,
 That mystery of the "world to come" profound,
 Is solved; his tree of life, which only budded,
 Bears now full harvest in celestial ground.
 In the Great Presence with the wearied resting.
 He has his wages and is well content.
 Brothers, in silence stand: your love attesting—
 This is the word your dying brother sent!

However great has been our admiration and love for our departed brother, this last production from his pen, in which heart and brain unite, is worthy to be a fitting close. Indeed there is in it, a grand epitome of a true Mason's life and of that of the brother who wrote the lines quoted. We can add nothing: it would be, did we try it, an attempt to point the sunbeam of departing day."

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

During the year commissions have been received and the following brethren accredited as representatives of sister Grand Lodges near this Grand Lodge:—

Nov. 26, 1888. M.: W.: Bro. A. R. Milne. M.: W.: G.: L.: of Scotland
 Dec. 5, 1888. M.: W.: Bro. A. R. Milne. M.: W.: G.: L.: of Michigan.
 Feby. 18, 1889. R.: W.: Bro. R. B. Kelly, M.: W.: G.: L.: of Delaware.
 March 1, 1889. W.: Bro. W. Howay. M.: W.: G.: L.: of Idaho.
 March 9, 1889. R.: W.: Bro. E. C. Neufelder, M.: W.: G.: L.: of Illinois.

Brother Neufelder has since resigned, having left the jurisdiction, I have therefore nominated W.: Bro. W. W. Northcott as our Representative near the Grand Lodge of Illinois.

I have also appointed the following as Representatives of this Most Worshipful Grand Lodge:—

Nov. 14, 1888, R.: W.: Bro. R. C. Hathaway as our Grand Representative near the Grand Lodge of Michigan.

Nov. 17, 1888. R.: W.: Bro. W. H. Owens as our Grand Representative near the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.

It seems to me that our system of representation is purely theoretical a thing of diplomas and titles and devoid of practical value to the Craft. I can conceive how it could be made very useful in drawing the Grand Lodges of the world closer together. It could be of especial value in giving unity to our efforts and uniformity to our laws.

I hold it to be the imperative duty of each brother who consents to represent a foreign Grand Lodge, to be present at the "communications" of the body to which he is accredited, and make known to them whatever of importance has occurred in the jurisdiction he represents, and give careful attention to whatever transpires that affects that jurisdiction.

It has been the custom of this Grand Lodge to give an opportunity to Grand Representatives to lay before us any matters affecting their constituents, but I am sorry to say few have availed themselves of it.

Some of our sister Grand Lodges have adopted the plan of a fixed term for which their Grand Representatives near other Grand Lodges shall be appointed. The Grand Lodge of Delaware has fixed the term for which its Grand Representatives shall be appointed at three years. The Grand Lodge of Illinois has fixed its term at five years. Other of our sister Grand Lodges have adopted a plan requiring that no brother shall represent more than one Grand Lodge at the same time. If the idea of Grand Representation means anything, this latter plan is the correct one, and I would recommend to Grand Lodge that arrangements should be made to define the term of commissions as Grand Representatives, and also that no brother shall represent more than one Grand Lodge.

SISTER GRAND JURISDICTIONS.

Relations between this Grand Lodge and other Grand Lodges continue harmonious and fraternal.

DISPENSATIONS ISSUED.

The following dispensations have been issued during the year :—

June 27th, 1888. To W. Bro. J. O. Graham, Worshipful Master of Kamloops Lodge No. 10, for the laying of the Corner Stone of the hall of Kamloops Lodge.

July 6, 1888. To Donald Lodge No. 11, to appear in public clothed as Masons.

July 14, 1889. To W. Bro. W. H. Cooper for the consecration and dedication of the Masonic Hall, Lansdowne, also to install the officers of Spallumacheen Lodge No. 13.

August 27, 1888. To Mount Hermon Lodge No. 7, to meet in new hall previous to dedication.

August 27, 1888. To Cascade Lodge No. 12, to meet in new hall previous to dedication.

Nov. 21, 1888. To Kamloops Lodge No. 10, to meet in new hall previous to dedication.

Dec. 10, 1888. To Kamloops Lodge to appear in public clothed as Masons.

Dec. 21, 1888. To Ashlar Lodge No. 3, to appear in public clothed as Masons on 27th December.

Jan. 12, 1889. To Union Lodge No. 9, to appear in public clothed as Masons on February 20th, 1889.

Jan. 22, 1889. To Cariboo Lodge No. 4, to confer degrees in less time than provided by Constitution, under (Section 131).

BY-LAWS APPROVED.

Dec. 13, 1888. Union Lodge No. 9.

BY-LAWS AMENDED.

Dec. 14, 1888. Cariboo Lodge No. 4.

April 23, 1889. Cascade Lodge No. 12.

INSTALLATIONS.

On December 27th 1888. Assisted by the Grand Officers I had the pleasure of installing the officers of Vancouver Quadra Lodge No. 2.

January 3rd, 1889.—Attended by the Grand Officers, I paid an official visit to Victoria Columbia Lodge No. 1, and installed the officers elect.

QUESTIONS ANSWERED.

Question No. 1.—In the absence of the W. Master, Senior Warden and Junior Warden, can the Immediate Past Master appoint Wardens, open and work the Lodge?

Answer.—By our Constitution, clause 114, the authority of the Worshipful Master, (he being absent from the Lodge) descends first to the Senior Warden (both these officers being absent) then to the Junior Warden, but not to the Immediate Past Master, there-

fore in the absence of the three principal officers, viz : W. Master, S. Warden and J. Warden, the Lodge cannot be opened; furthermore the W. Master of a Lodge has no constitutional right to delegate his powers to another unless in Lodge assembled.

Question No. 2.—Can a Mason belong to two Lodges, both of this jurisdiction?

Answer.—He cannot be an active member of more than one Lodge.

Question No. 3.—Do brethren petitioning for a Charter to form a new Lodge cease to be members of the Lodges from which they hail, when a Dispensation is granted, or when the warrant of Constitution or Charter is granted?

Answer.—Brethren, petitioning to form a new Lodge, retain their membership in the Lodge from which they hail until a Charter is granted, when they become members of the new Lodge.

RULINGS.

Applicants for affiliation, if members under this jurisdiction, must demit from one Lodge before affiliating with another.

Free-masonry recognizes no other society when performing Mas labor.

None but Master Masons are entitled to Masonic Burial.

If a Lodge has inadvertently initiated a candidate whose residence is within the jurisdiction of another Lodge and admits its error, and the matter can be settled satisfactorily between the two Lodges, there is no necessity to refer the matter to the Grand Master.

When a Lodge U. D. receives its Charter it becomes responsible to the old Lodges for the arrearages of the members who left them to organize it.

All members of a Lodge are in good standing until deprived of their rights by due process of law, or by their own consent.

DEDICATION.

A special meeting of Grand Lodge was called for the celebration of the ceremony of Consecration and Dedication of the Masonic Temple at the City of Vancouver, B. C., on Friday, the 29th day of March, 1889. The occasion was one of much pleasure to all assembled, the large capacious and elegantly furnished apartments were densely crowded to witness the very interesting ceremonies, a full description of which will be given in our printed proceedings.

The brethren of Mount Hermon and Cascade Lodges vied to make the visiting brethren happy and comfortable in every way, and in the evening all were invited to a Banquet at the Hotel Vancouver, where good cheer and fraternal sentiment prevailed and many kind words then expressed will linger long in our memories.

SPECIAL COMMUNICATION.

In obedience to a Resolution (See page 99 of Proceedings 1888) passed at the last Annual Communication of our Grand Lodge, I summoned a Special Meeting for the purpose of exemplification of the work as practised by the different Lodges in this jurisdiction. After consultation with the Grand Officers and keeping in view the convenience and accommodation of the brethren that would assemble on this occasion from the distant parts of our Province, I appointed the 29th of March at the City of Vancouver, where I am happy to say, gathered the largest congregation of Masons ever witnessed in our jurisdiction. It was very gratifying to me to see so many of the representatives of the Subordinate Lodges desiring to avail themselves of this opportunity to acquire a knowledge of the Rituals as practised in this Province. There were eight Lodges represented. Never has it been my good fortune to have seen the work better done in every case, and the session came to a close with expressions of much gratification and satisfaction, all feeling that the meeting would materially advance the interests of Masoury.

On Sunday, the 31st March, a large number of the Brethren assembled at the Temple, and marched in procession to the Episcopal Church, where our highly esteemed, Very Worshipful Bro. Sillitoe, Lord Bishop of New Westminster, preached a very eloquent and impressive Masonic Sermon which was much appreciated, our Reverend Brother having previously adapted the Service of the Church to suit this Masonic Occasion. I feel myself under many obligations to him for this and other services he has rendered our Grand Lodge.

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS.

During the past year I received many calls from distinguished Masons from various parts; amongst them the following from the Eastern Provinces:—

R.: W.: Bro. Collins, D.: D.: G.: M.:, Manitoba.

M.: W.: Bro. R. J. Walkem, M. . W.: G.: M.:, Canada.

A reception was held for Brother Walkem at the Masonic Temple, Victoria, when a congratulatory address was presented. The occasion was an exceedingly pleasant one. We hope Brother Walkem will come again.

On October 1st, 1888, I received a visit from our distinguished Pro. Henry Robertson, Past Grand Master of Canada, whose visit was so short that it did not give us an opportunity to show him our considerations.

ASKING RECOGNITION.

The letters and papers from the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales, asking for recognition, will be submitted for your consideration. I see no reason why recognition should not be promptly extended to this new united body.

Also letters and documents from the United Grand Lodge of Victoria, Australia, asking for recognition, will be submitted. I would recommend the recognition of this Independent Grand Lodge, and that we extend to both our fraternal greetings.

REPORTS.

The able reports of the District Deputies will all be laid before you, and, I am satisfied, will afford you grounds for satisfaction at the progress Masonry is making in this jurisdiction.

The usual reports from the other Grand Officers will all be presented, and which I hope will meet with your approval.

It affords me much pleasure to put on record my appreciation of the fidelity of our V. V. W. Grand Secretary, Bro. Henry Brown. In all the labors of the past year I have been encouraged and aided by his counsel, experience and attention to all my requests.

To the Grand Officers, who have been ever ready to aid and assist me, I return my sincere and heartfelt thanks.

CONCLUSION.

Brethren, my work is done; would I could say well done. In a few hours I shall lay aside the insignia of Office and sit down with those whom you have previously honored by elevation to the distinguished station I now occupy. I will lay them aside with gratitude, the gratitude of a heart that fully appreciates the dignity you have conferred.

Twice called by your kind partiality to the high position of Grand Master, permit me to return my heartfelt thanks for the great honor conferred on me, and to assure you that wherever duty may call me, I will bear in memory the kindness and courtesy I have received from my brethren.

To know that I have faithfully discharged the high trust reposed in me, and have gained your approval, affords a consolation that sinks deep into the silent recesses of my heart. I know how loyal and true

you are as men: I know your works, your faith, your charity as Masons. I know that your hearts are ever beating responsive to Masonic teachings, and that the work which you are doing will live long after you have laid down your working tools.

I now surrender into your hands the high trust committed to me, and again take my place in your midst where I hope to remain humbly but faithfully working for the best interests of our beloved Order.

ALEXANDER R. MILNE,

Grand Master.

On Motion duly seconded it was resolved that the address of the M. W. Grand Masters be referred to a special committee. The R. W. Deputy Grand Master appointed the following brethren: Bro. R. Beaven, Bro. M. W. Waitt, and Bro. M. Moss.

REPORT ON GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

VICTORIA, B. C.,

June 22, 1889.

To the M. W. Grand Master, Wardens and Officers of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia.

Your Committee, to whom was referred the consideration of the address of the M. W. the Grand Master, beg leave to report as follows:—

They note with pleasure the fraternal feeling pervading throughout the Jurisdiction, as well as the increased prosperity of the different Lodges.

They fully coincide with the M. W. the Grand Master as to his remarks in reference to the Representatives of sister Grand Lodges.

They join with the M. W. Grand Master in his sympathy and regret at the loss the Fraternity has sustained in the death of several of our esteemed brethren.

It is a matter for congratulation that our relations with Sister Grand Bodies are of the most amicable nature.

They fully agree with the M. W. the Grand Master's remarks in reference to the special communication held at Vancouver for the exemplification of the work as practised by the different Lodges in this jurisdiction, feeling assured that such exhibitions materially advance the interests of Masonry.

We trust the recommendation of the M. W. Grand Master, that this Grand Lodge recognize the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales and the United Grand Lodge of Victoria, Australia, will be carried out.

It affords us pleasure to add our testimony as to the worth and fidelity of our V. V. W. Grand Secretary.

We cannot conclude our labors without giving expression to our appreciation of the very able and very courteous manner in which the M. W. Grand Master has filled the honorable position of presiding officer of this Grand Lodge.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ROBERT BEAVEN.
MORRIS MOSS.
M. W. WAITT.

The R. W. Deputy Grand Master then read the following address:—

DEPUTY GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren of the Grand Lodge:

Another year in our Masonic history has closed, and the changing seasons have brought us again to the time of another meeting of this Grand Lodge and we have every reason for mutual congratulation and thankfulness on this the occasion of our eighteenth annual Communication.

During the year just closed, the craft has increased in numbers, influence, and material advantages, in a manner unprecedented in the history of this Grand Lodge, and I must again congratulate you on the continued advancement and prosperity of our Order.

On the 19th of November, accompanied by ten brethren of Union Lodge No 9, I visited Cascade Lodge No 12, Vancouver, on the occasion of the first installation of officers of that Lodge.

The Lodge was filled to overflowing, no less than one hundred and ten Brethren being present.

The ceremony of Installation was very ably conducted by R. W. Bro. I. Oppenheimer, D. D. G. M., who was assisted by a number of the Brethren in a most creditable manner.

On the 19th of December, at the request of the M. W. the Grand Master, I visited Kamloops Lodge No 10, for the purpose of dedicating their new hall to Free Masonry.

Assisted by the Brethren of Kamloops Lodge and visiting Brethren, Grand Lodge was opened in due form, when our beautiful dedication ceremony was carried out in all its details, the Brethren having made all arrangements for the successful carrying out of the ceremony prior to my arrival. On its conclusion I delivered the following:—

ADDRESS.

Brethren,—By your invitation and in accordance with the wishes of the M. W. the Grand Master, whose unavoidable absence we all regret, I have according to ancient custom, in due form, dedicated this hall to Freemasonry.

I can assure you this duty has been one of as much pleasure and satisfaction to me as I feel it must be to yourselves, who have labored so energetically and earnestly to complete and beautify this edifice, which certainly reflects much credit on all the brethren concerned in this undertaking, and I congratulate the brethren of Kamloops Lodge on the possession of this new and commodious hall.

These apartments, having been dedicated to the sole use and benefit of Freemasons and Freemasonry, let me urge upon you, my brethren, the propriety of never allowing them to be used for any other purpose. They have also been dedicated to virtue and universal benevolence. Here may virtue find a secure abiding place, and reign supreme in the hearts of all who may gather around this fraternal altar. May this be a Temple of Universal Benevolence! here may we inculcate and resolve to practise those great moral and Masonic duties of Brotherly Love, Relief and Charity, but more especially the noble one of Charity, the very foundation and cap stone of our beloved institution; not only in giving aid and assistance to destitute brethren, but in whispering good counsel to erring ones, and sympathizing with each other in sickness or sorrow.

Is there one among the family circle who, seeing any of their number violating the laws of God or society, would not take him by the hand, and by kind and loving counsel endeavor to win him back into the paths of rectitude and virtue?

So let it be with us as Masons, although we are not linked together by ties of blood or kindred. Yet we are bound by those mystic ties, for we have each and every one of us knelt at the Consecrated Altar of Freemasonry and bound ourselves under most solemn obligations of brotherly love and friendship. May these obligations be faithfully fulfilled.

The benediction being then pronounced, and the ceremony of dedication being completed, Grand Lodge was closed in due form.

A ball, under the auspices of Kamloops Lodge, was held in the Masonic Building in the evening, which I had the privilege and pleasure of attending, and which will always be remembered by me as a most enjoyable occasion, and I have to thank the Brethren of Kamloops for their universal kindness and courtesy to me, on this my first official visit to them.

I feel that I cannot conclude my report on this occasion without thanking the members of Kamloops Lodge and all the brethren who participated in the ceremonies of dedication, for their hospitality and courtesy to me, during my visit to Kamloops, and I am only sorry that I was unable, owing to my time being limited, to remain longer with them.

On the 27th of December, St. John the Evangelist's day, assisted by a number of Grand Lodge Officers and Brethren, I had the honor and pleasure of Installing the Officers elect of Union Lodge No 9, for the ensuing Masonic year.

On the 29th of March, on summons, I attended the special communication of this M.: W.: Grand Lodge held at Vancouver, for the purpose of dedicating Masonic Temple and exemplifying the different rituals now in use in this jurisdiction.

This meeting was both enjoyable and profitable, and I am sure, will be conducive of much good to the whole fraternity.

In conclusion, I thank you my brethren, for the kindness and consideration you have so generously extended to me during the past year, and ask you to join with me in expressing our gratitude and thanks to the Supreme Grand Architect, who has once more permitted us to assemble in this Grand Lodge.

JNO. S. CLUTE,
Deputy Grand Master.

On motion, duly seconded it was resolved to refer the address of the Deputy Grand Master to the committee on Grand Master's address.

REPORT ON DEPUTY GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

VICTORIA, B. C.

June, 22nd, 1888.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Wardens, Officers and Brethren of the Grand Lodge.

Your committee, to whom was referred the address of the R.: W.: Deputy Grand Master, beg leave to report as follows :—

They notice with pleasure the interest taken by the R.: W.: Deputy Grand Master as evidenced by the many visitations made by him during the past year.

It is a matter of satisfaction to note the general progress made by all the Subordinate Lodges of the Province, and especially the creation of new Lodges on the Mainland.

Fraternally submitted,

ROBERT BEAVEN

M. W. WAITT.

MORRIS MOSS.

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT. 1889.

To the M.: W.: Grand Lodge, A. F. and A. M., B. C.

M.: W.: Dear Sir and Brethren,—In accordance with established custom and in conformity with the requirements of our Constitution, I have the honor to submit the following report of the transactions of my office. It affords me much pleasure to inform you that the hopes and expectations of success predicted by my predecessor in office were well founded, as will be shown by the returns, etc., which will be laid before you.

The receipts of the Grand Lodge from all sources for the year ending February 28th, 1889, are as follows :—

Victoria Columbia Lodge, No. 1.....	\$248 25
Vancouver Quadra Lodge, No. 2.....	111 50
Ashlar Lodge, No. 3.....	129 00
Cariboo Lodge, No. 4.....	48 50
Mount Hermon Lodge, No. 7	145 00
Union Lodge, No. 9.....	148 75
Kamloops Lodge, No. 10.....	76 00
Mountain Lodge, No. 11.....	86 50
Cascade Lodge, No. 12.....	155 75
Spallumcheen Lodge, No. 13.....	84 00
Total.....	<u>\$1233 25</u>

being an increase of \$255.61 over the previous year. In addition to this, Cariboo Lodge, No. 4, made a special donation of \$100.00 to the charity fund of Grand Lodge.

DISPENSATIONS.

Under instructions from the M.: W.: Grand Master, the following have been issued from my office during the year:—

June 27th, 1888. To Jas. O. Grahame, W. M. of No. 10, to act as Special Deputy of the Grand Master, in laying the corner stone of Kamloops Lodge.

July 6th, 1888. To Mountain Lodge, No. 11, to wear regalia in public, on Sunday, July 8th, when attending divine service.

July 14th, 1888. To W. Bro. W. H. Cooper, P. M., to act as Special Deputy of the Grand Master, in consecrating and dedicating Masonic hall, Lansdowne, and to install officers of Spallumcheen Lodge, No. 13.

August 27th, 1888. To Mount Hermon Lodge, No. 7, to meet in new Lodge room, previous to dedication.

August 27th, 1888. To Cascade Lodge, No. 12, to meet in new Lodge room, previous to dedication.

November 21st, 1888. To Kamloops Lodge, No. 10, to meet in new hall, previous to dedication.

December 10th, 1888. To Kamloops Lodge, No. 10, to wear regalia at ball on 19th.

December 17th, 1888. To Ashlar Lodge, No. 3, to wear regalia at ball on 27th.

January 12th, 1889. To Union Lodge, No. 9, to wear regalia at ball on February 20th.

January 22nd, 1889. To Cariboo Lodge, No. 4, to confer the Third degree on a candidate at a shorter interval than provided by the Constitution.

BY-LAWS.

December 13th, 1888. The M.: W.: Grand Master approved of the By-Laws of Union Lodge, No. 9.

December 14th, 1888. Assented to alteration of By-Laws of Cariboo Lodge, No. 4 changing date of meeting.

April 23rd, 1889. Assented to alteration of By-Laws of Cascade Lodge, No. 12, changing date of meeting.

CERTIFICATES.

The following Grand Lodge certificates have been issued :—

October 6th, 1888. To V. V. W. Brother B. Douglas, P. M., of Union Lodge, No. 9, as permanent member of this Grand Lodge, with the rank of Past Grand Treasurer.

October 8th, 1888. To R. V. W. Brother E. C. Neufelder, P. G. S., as permanent member of this Grand Lodge with the rank of Past Grand Senior Warden.

October 11th, 1888. To be District Deputy Grand Masters :—

To R. V. W. Bro. D. H. Ross, No. 1 District.

" W. V. Bro. I. Oppenheimer, No. 2 District.

" W. V. Bro. Sibree Clarke, No. 3 District.

" W. V. Bro. H. McDermott, No. 4 District.

COMMISSIONS.

November 14th, 1888. A commission was issued to R. V. W. Bro. R. C. Hathaway as Representative of this Grand Lodge, near the M. V. W. Grand Lodge of Michigan.

November 17th, 1888. To R. V. W. Bro. W. H. Owens as representative of this Grand Lodge, near the M. V. W. Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.

The following commissions have been received and forwarded to the appointed brethren.

November 26th, 1888. From the M. V. W. Grand Lodge of Scotland appointing M. V. W. A. R. Milne to be their representative near this Grand Lodge.

December 5th, 1888. From the M. V. W. Grand Lodge of Michigan, appointing M. V. W. A. R. Milne to be their representative near this Grand Lodge.

February 18th, 1889. From the M. V. W. Grand Lodge of Delaware, re-appointing R. V. W. Bro. Robt. B. Kelly to be their representative near this Grand Lodge.

March 1st, 1889. From the M. V. W. Grand Lodge of Idaho, appointing W. Bro. Howay to be their representative near this Grand Lodge.

March 9th, 1889. From the M. V. W. Grand Lodge of Illinois, re-appointing R. V. W. Bro. E. C. Neufelder to be their representative near this Grand Lodge.

ABSTRACT OF RETURNS FROM MARCH 1ST, 1888, TO FEBRUARY 28TH, 1889.

	No. 1. Victoria-Columbia.	No. 2. Vancouver-Quadra	No. 3. Ashlar.	No. 4. Cariboo.	No. 7. Mount Hermon.	No. 9. Union.	No. 10. Kamloops.	No. 11. Mountain.	No. 12. Cascade.	No. 13. Spallumcheen.	Number Dealt With.	Rate of Grand Lodge Dues	Total Grand Lodge Dues
Initiations.....	17	1	5	2	10	6	5	7	12	3	68	\$1 00	\$ 68 00
Passings.....	18	1	5	1	9	8	6	6	7	3	64	1 00	64 00
Raisings.....	16	1	5	1	8	10	6	7	6	2	62	1 00	62 00
Affiliations, Ent'r'd Apprentices													
“ Fellow Crafts.....													
“ Master Masous.....	9	2	4		17	1	2	3	15	2	2	5 00	10 00
Demitted.....	5				1	5	3	13			55	1 00	55 00
Died.....	2	2	2		1						27		
Suspended.....	1	2						4			7		
Expelled.....													
Reinstated.....													
Rejected.....	3	1	4		5	4	1		3		1		
Dispensations for Degrees.....													
“ to wear Regalia in public			1	1		1	1	1			20	15 00	15 00
“ to form a new Lodge.....											4	5 00	20 00
“ not provided for.....										1	1	30 00	30 00
Warrant of Confirmation.....											3	2 50	7 50
Diplomas Granted.....	16	2	5	1	8	10	6	8	6	1	2	20 00	40 00
Members on Roll.....	125	82	76	22	62	75	30	34	65	16	587	2 00	128 00
												1 25	733 75
Total am't Grand Lodge dues \$	248 25	111 50	129 00	48 50	145 00	148 75	76 00	86 50	155 75	84 00			1,233 25

Members on roll.....	123	62	76	22	65	76	86	50	155	75	84	00	1,233	25
Total am't Grand Lodge dues \$	248	25	111	50	129	00	48	50	145	00	148	75	76	00

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	No. 1. Victoria-Columbia	No. 2. Vancouver-Quadra	No. 3. Ashlar.	No. 4. Cariboo.	No. 7. Mount Hermon.	No. 9. Union.	No. 10. Kamloops.	No. 11. Mountain.	No. 12. Cascade.	No. 13. Spallumcheen.	Total											
Funds & Property	6920	25	2536	30	6202	13	269	90	1362	75	21926	90	1050	00	572	00	650	00	417	25	41907	48
Relief to Members	22	50	.....	.....	221	00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	243	50
“ to Widows of Masons. ....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100	00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100	00
“ to Transient Brethren.	53	50	15	00	90	00	.....	.....	.....	.....	59	00	.....	.....	22	90	.....	.....	.....	.....	240	40
“ Miscellaneous .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	225	00
“ Funeral of Trans. Bro. §115	00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	115	00

* To Hudson Monument.

† To Charity Fund, Grand Lodge.

‡ By members to Transient Brethren.

§ Refunded by his Lodge, Royal Standard, 398, E. R. Halifax, N. S. and R. A. Chapter.

SUMMARY, 1889.

LODGE.	No.	LOCATION.	Dues to G. Lodge for Membership.	Initiations.	Passings.	Raisings.	Diplomas.	Affiliations.	Dispensations.	New Lodges.	Total to Grand Lodge.
Victoria-Columbia.	1	Victoria	\$156 25	17 00	18 00	16 00	32 00	9 00	.....	.....	248 25
Vancouver Quadra.	2	Victoria	102 50	1 00	1 00	1 00	4 00	2 00	.....	.....	111 50
Ashlar.	3	Nanaimo	95 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	10 00	4 00	.....	.....	129 00
Cariboo.	4	Barkerville	27 50	2 00	1 00	1 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	48 50
Mount Hermon.	7	Vancouver	77 50	10 00	9 00	8 00	16 00	22 00	.....	.....	145 00
Union.	9	New Westminster.	93 75	6 00	8 00	10 00	20 00	6 00	.....	.....	148 75
Kamloops.	10	Kamloops	37 50	5 00	6 00	6 00	12 00	2 00	.....	.....	76 00
Mountain.	11	Donald	42 50	7 00	6 00	7 00	16 00	3 00	.....	.....	86 50
Cascade.	12	Vancouver	81 25	12 00	7 00	6 00	12 00	15 00	.....	.....	155 75
Spallumcheen.	13	Lansdowne	20 00	3 00	3 00	2 00	4 00	2 00	.....	.....	84 00
			\$733 75	68 00	64 00	62 00	128 00	65 00	42 50	70 00	\$1233 25

RECAPITULATION

Chartered Lodges	10
Initiated in all Lodges	68
Passed " " "	64
Raised " " "	62
Affiliated " " " from without	57
" " " " within	5
Demitted " " "	27
Died " " "	7
Suspended	7
Reinstated	1
Rejected	20
Diplomas issued	64
Dispensations for Degrees	1
" to wear regalia in public	4
" to form New Lodge	1
" not otherwise provided for	3
Members on Roll	587
Increase of membership since last return	91
Total Receipts of Grand Lodge from all sources	\$1,233 25
Increase of Grand Lodge revenue since last return	255 61
Total Funds and Property of all Lodges as per returns	41,907 48
" Relief to members " " " " "	243 50
" " " widows of members " " "	100 00
" " " Transient Brethren " " "	240 00
" Contributions miscellaneous	225 00
" Funeral of Transient Brother	*115 00

* which amount was refunded by his Lodge, Royal Standard, 398 E. R. Halifax, N. S., and R. A. Chapter, 1, R. N. S.

FRATERNAL DEAD.

The following have been officially reported:—

1888.	
June 14.	Bro. Thos. Inge,..... Lodge No. 2
" 14.	" W. E. Blacket,..... Lodge No. 3
July 13.	" A. C. Couves,..... Lodge No. 1
" 27.	" H. A. Harrison,..... Lodge No. 1
Aug 3.	" C. M. Chambers, P. G. M..... Lodge No. 2
Dec. 2.	" Jos. Humphreys,..... Lodge No. 7
1889.	
Jan. 15.	" Jos. Webb,..... Lodge, No. 3

INSTALLATIONS.

- Dec. 27th, 1888. The M.: W.: Grand Master, assisted by R.: W.: Bro. D. H. Ross, District Deputy Grand Master, installed the Worshipful Master and Officers of Vancouver Quadra Lodge No. 2.
- Jan'y. 3rd, 1889. The M.: W.: Grand Master, assisted by R.: W.: Bro. McEown, Grand Junior Warden, installed the Worshipful Master and Officers of Victoria-Columbia Lodge, No 1.

A Special Communication of the Grand Lodge was held on the 29th of March, 1889, for the purpose of Dedicating the Masonic Hall, Vancouver, and also for the Exemplification of the work, as practised by the various Lodges in the jurisdiction. A large number of Brethren attended. A full record of the proceedings are herewith attached for the information of Grand Lodge.

DIPLOMAS ISSUED.

- No. 340 Thomas Jones.....Victoria Columbia Lodge, No. 1
- " 341, Thos. Charles Penny.....Mountain Lodge, No. 11
- " 342, David McKay.....Mountain Lodge, No. 11
- " 343, David Owen Lewis.....Mountain Lodge, No. 11
- " 344, Ewen McMillan.....Ashlar Lodge, No. 3
- " 345, H. Nelson Rich.....Union Lodge, No. 9
- " 346, Lewis T. Davis.....Ashlar Lodge, No. 3
- " 347, Geo. V. Heathcote.....Vancouver Quadra Lodge, No. 2
- " 348, W. K. Leighton.....Ashlar Lodge, No. 3
- " 349, R. F. Bonson.....Union Lodge, No. 9
- " 350, G. W. Gilley.....Union Lodge, No. 9
- " 351, A. O. Campbell.....Union Lodge, 9
- " 352, R. Mason.....Victoria Columbia Lodge, 1
- " 353, R. English.....Victoria Columbia Lodge, 1
- " 354, C. Guslean.....Victoria Columbia Lodge, 1
- " 355, F. W. Garland.....Victoria Columbia Lodge, 1
- " 356, F. Bouchier.....Victoria Columbia Lodge, 1
- " 357, C. D. Mason.....Victoria Columbia Lodge, 1
- " 358, J. L. Stamford.....Victoria Columbia Lodge, 1
- " 359, S. G. Harrison.....Victoria Columbia Lodge, 1
- " 360, M. D. La Hadley.....Union Lodge, 9
- " 361, Wm. Hogg.....Mount Hermon Lodge, 7
- " 362, I. G. Woods.....Mount Hermon Lodge, 7
- " 363, Rt. Chipchase.....Victoria Columbia Lodge, 1
- " 364, V. W. Haywood.....Mount Hermon Lodge, 7
- " 365, W. H. Evans.....Mount Hermon Lodge, 7
- " 366, D. J. Macdonald.....Spallumcheen Lodge, 13

No. 367, Wm. Hall.....	Spallumcheen Lodge, 13
" 368, A. McKercher.....	Union Lodge, 9
" 369, H. Truedel.....	Ashlar Lodge, 3
" 370, M. Moss.....	Vancouver Quadra Lodge, 2
" 371, Wm. McColl.....	Union Lodge, 9
" 372, A. F. Cotton.....	Union Lodge, 9
" 373, Jas. M. Munnis.....	Mount Hermon, 7
" 374, A. Erickson.....	Mountain Lodge, 11
" 375, Jas. Wright.....	Mountain Lodge, 11
" 376, G. E. Manuel.....	Mountain Lodge, 11
" 377, David Jamieson.....	Mountain Lodge, 11
" 378, A. W. Black.....	Mountain Lodge, 11
" 379, Alex. Frank.....	Vancouver Quadra Lodge, 2
" 380, E. A. Martin.....	Cariboo Lodge, 4
" 381, C. E. Mallette.....	Victoria Columbia Lodge, 1
" 382, D. R. Ker.....	Victoria Columbia Lodge, 1
" 383, R. Kirkwood.....	Ashlar Lodge, 3
" 384, Rt. Wood.....	Vancouver Quadra Lodge, 2
" 385, H. E. Connon.....	Cascade Lodge, 12
" 386, T. E. Barnett.....	Cascade Lodge, 12
" 387, G. S. Hodgins.....	Cascade Lodge, 12
" 388, Saml. Prenter.....	Cascade Lodge, 12
" 389, A. M. Graves.....	Cascade Lodge, 12
" 390, I. F. McKerracher.....	Cascade Lodge, 12
" 391, John D. Ross.....	Kamloops Lodge, 10
" 392, S. C. Hill.....	Kamloops Lodge, 10
" 393, J. J. Shaw.....	Kamloops Lodge, 10
" 394, T. Eckersley.....	Kamloops Lodge, 10
" 395, G. Loney.....	Kamloops Lodge, 10
" 396, R. S. Hanna.....	Kamloops Lodge, 10
" 397, J. Russell.....	Victoria Columbia Lodge, 1
" 398, E. Langley.....	Victoria Columbia Lodge, 1
" 399, W. J. Phillips.....	Victoria Columbia Lodge, 1

AFFILIATIONS.

Name.	Date of Lodge	To Lodge
Cornish, John C.	No. 3, Canada	Victoria-Col. No. 1
Snowden, N. P.	" 6, Manitoba	" "
Gardiner, W. E.	" 7, Nova Scotia	" "
Stewart, A.	" 199, England	" "
Norheott, J. A.	" 11, Canada	" "
Kettle, Wm. H.	" 216, California	" "
Anderson, W.	" 117, Scotland	" "
McGregor, M.	" 602, Ireland	" "
Curral, Wm. D.	" 332, Canada	" "
Dodd, J. W.	" 19, Nova Scotia	Van-Quadra, No. 2
Gregg, F.	" 640, Quebec	" "
Reid, James.	" 700, New S. Wales	Ashlar, No. 3
Marshall, W.	" 384, Scotland	" "
Reilley, Jas. C.	" 70, Nova Scotia	" "
Richardson, W.	" 427, Scotland	" "
Evans, David.	" 6, Manitoba	Mt. Hermon, No. 7
Cook, Edward.	" 73, Canada	" "
Matthewson, W.	" 11, B. C. R.	" "
Beli, H. A.	" 222, Canada	" "
Scott, Sam.	" 5, Canada	" "
Ceperly, H. S.	" 32, Montana	" "
Edwards, Rev. W. S.	" 4, B. C. R.	" "
McKinlay, Wm.	" 226, Scotland	" "
Bell-Irving D.	" 1549, England	" "
Oppenheimer, I.	" 2, B. C. R.	" "
Dudgeon, R.	" 279, England	" "
Knox, Wm.	" 263, Scotland	" "
Chase, W. H.	" 155, Canada	" "
McNaughton, P.	" 418, Canada	" "
Schneider, F.	" 12, Canada	" "
O'Toole, J. M.	" 37, Nebraska	" "
Matthewson, M.	" 1, P. E. Isl'd	" "
McVean, Hugh.	" 2, Manitoba	" "
Baker, Andrew.	" 112, Manitoba	" "
Hillyer, Charles.	" 9, B. C. R.	" "
McKinnon, W.	" 1, Manitoba	" "
Garrow, J.	" 8, Scotland	Union, No. 9
Elson, W.	" 9, B. C. R.	" "
Wood, E. S.	" 374, Canada	Kamloops, No. 10
Blake, M.	" 48, Canada	" "
Robinson, F.	" 97, Canada	Mountain, No. 11
Pitts, Jas. C.	" 256, Canada	" "
McArthur, A. C.	" 1, B. C. R.	" "
Alexander, R. H.	" 1187, E. R. B. C.	Cascade, No. 12
Blackmore, Wm.	" 3, Manitoba	" "
Brown, D. E.	" 285, Canada	" "
Brown, Geo.	" 405, Canada	" "
Carrol, J. T.	" 1, Scotland	" "
Clayton, L. S.	" 11, Quebec	" "

AFFILIATIONS.

Name.	Date of Lodge	To Lodge
Cope, F.	" 359, Canada	Cascade, No. 12
Crease, E. A.	" 96, Canada	" "
Dunn, W. R.	" 10, Canada	" "
Fripp, R. McKay.	" 1710, E. R. New Z'd	" "
Grant, P. A.	" 38, Nova Scotia	" "
Gray, Thos.	" 13, Manitoba	" "
McGillvray, D.	" 9, B. C. R.	" "
Perry, C. J.	" 9, Canada	" "
Reid, Alex.	" 45, Scotland	" "
Robinson, A. J.	" 245, Canada	" "
Watson, John H.	" 12, Manitoba	" "
Goldsmid.	" 1549, E. R.	Spallumcheen, 13
Hall, Wm.	" 10, B. C. R.	" "

Total Affiliations, from within and without, 62.

PROCEEDINGS.

Have been received from the following M. W. Grand Lodges :—

Arkansas.	Kentucky.	North Carolina.
Alabama.	Louisiana.	New Jersey.
Arizona.	Michigan.	Oregon.
Berlin.	Massachusetts.	Ohio.
Canada.	Maryland.	Pennsylvania.
Colorado.	Mississippi.	Peru.
California.	Minnesota.	Quebec.
Connecticut.	Maine.	Scotland.
Delaware.	Missouri.	Spain.
Dakota.	Montana.	South Carolina.
District of Columbia.	Manitoba.	Texas.
England.	New York.	Tennessee.
Florida.	New Hampshire.	Utah.
Germany.	New South Wales.	Virginia.
Indiana.	New Mexico.	Vermont.
Iowa.	Nebraska.	Victoria, Australia.
Illinois.	Nebraska Grand Com-	Wisconsin.
Idaho.	mandery.	Washington.
Indian Territory.	Nova Scotia.	Wyoming.
Ireland.	New Brunswick.	West Virginia.
Kansas.	Nevada.	Zur Sonne Bayreuth.

BOUND VOLUMES

From Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Kentucky, Kansas, Massachusetts, Virginia and Vermont, and Grand chapter of Nebraska.

Bulletin and Decisions, Supreme Council, Southern Jurisdiction, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, Masonic Relief Association Report, and various Periodicals and Papers, amongst which are : "The Craftsman," "Light," "Token," "Freemason," "Trestle Board," "Orient," "El Taller," &c., &c.

In reviewing the transactions of the past year, specially appertaining to my office, I wish to explain that the expenditure, though unusually heavy, has been unavoidable, as nearly every form in use by the Grand Secretary in carrying on the various duties of the office were used up, and had to be replaced; in addition to this, new forms for Returns, new Certificates for Permanent Members of Grand Lodge; also for Deputy District Grand Masters, and Diplomas for New Members have been provided. These expenses, however, will not occur again for some time as in most cases the supply procured will last for four or five years.

Before closing my report, I should like to thank my Brethren, the Secretaries of Lodges in our jurisdiction, for their uniform kindness and courtesy in all correspondence with my office. Also the Most Worshipful Grand Master for his patience and kindness in giving much of his valuable time and attention to assist in carrying on the business of the Grand Lodge. In conclusion, brethren, let me express a hope that the prosperity which has been enjoyed by the Grand Lodge during the past few years, may long continue.

A. Brown
Grand Secretary

On motion, duly seconded, it was resolved that the report be adopted as read.

report

H. BROWN,
Grand Secretary.

H. F. HEISTERMAN, GRAND TREASURER,

IN ACCOUNT CURRENT WITH THE M. W. GRAND LODGE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Your Treasurer begs leave to report as follows regarding the transactions of his Office during the past year.

1888.	To Balance in Bank to credit of Grand Lodge.....	\$72 83	July 4. By Order No. 18, 12 months rent of G. S's offices to 1 July 1888.....	\$ 50 00
June 23.	" Cash from Grand Sec'y for Dispensation to Spallumcheen Lodge No. 13.....	\$ 50 00	" " " 1/4 of Revenue of 1887-1888 transferred to the Charity Fund, as per constitution.....	250 97
July 9.	" Interest from Savings Bank to June 30.....	6 75	By Order No. 20, Munro Miller printing.....	15 00
Aug. 10.	" Cash from Grand Sec'y, Warrant of Cascade Lodge, No. 12, \$20, charter box \$1.....	21 00	" No. 19, W. Trickey, Grand Tyler.....	30 50
Aug. 27.	" Garesche, Green & Co., int. on Balance to 30 June.....	1 99	" No. 21, Union Lodge vote of G.L.....	25 00
			" No. 23, Sundries.....	21 50
			" No. 24, Munro Miller printing.....	17 50
1889			" No. 25, Carriage hire and expenses installing Spallumcheen Lodge No. 13.....	25 00
Mar. 9.	" Gr. Sec'y, Dues Vict.-Col. Lodge, No. 1.....	248 25	" No. 22, M. W. Waitt, Stationery.....	2 10
12.	" " " Union No. 9.....	148 75	" No. 23, Jas. A. Cohen printing.....	25 00
20.	" " " Cascade No. 12.....	135 75	" No. 27, Munro Miller, print. proceedings.....	20 10
22.	" " " Cariboo No. 4.....	48 50	" No. 28, G. S. on act. Salary.....	30 00
Apr. 1.	" " " Kamloops No. 10.....	76 00	" No. 29, " for postage &c.....	25 80
3.	" " " Mount in No. 11.....	86 50	" No. 30, Expenses Dedication Kamloops Lodge.....	45 00
May 1.	" " " Mount Hermon No. 7.....	145 00	" No. 31, G. S. on act. Salary.....	100 00
June 1.	" " " Vancouver-Quadra No. 2.....	111 50	" No. 32, Jas. A. Cohen printing.....	6 00
5.	" " " Ashlar No. 7.....	129 00	" No. 33, Colonist printing Diplomas.....	63 00
	" " " Spallumcheen No. 13.....	34 00	" No. 34, Sundry printing.....	47 75
		1242 99	" No. 35, Imperial Ins. Co., Fire, renewal.....	9 60
			" No. 35, Munro Miller, printing.....	31 50
			" No. 36, G. S. Salary to 1 July.....	150 00
			" No. 37, Sundries.....	38 70
			" No. 38, Rent of G. S. office to 1 July, 1889.....	50 00
			June 21. " Balance in Bank at Garesche Green & Co.....	1343 02
				622 80
				\$1965 82

1889.		
June 22,	To Balance in Bank at Garesche Green & Co.....	\$622 50
"	Interest accrued to 30 June.....	9 65
	Total	\$632 15
Victoria, B. C.	June 22nd, 1889.	

Victoria, B. C. June 22nd, 1889.

Fraternally submitted,
H. F. HEISTERMAN,
Grand Treasurer.

Fraternally submitted,
H. F. HEISTERMAN,
Grand Treasurer.

Victoria. B. C. June 22nd, 1839.

H. F. HEISTERMAN, GRAND TREASURER,

In account current with the Charity Fund of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia.

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1889.	To Balance brought down from last Masonic	
June 23.	Year 200 shares value.....	4000 00
	(Cash in Bank at Garesche Green & Co	352 00
	One fourth of Revenue of Grand Lodge, as	4352 00
July 4.	per Constitution	250 97
	Dividend on 200 shares @ 5¼ per cent	230 00
11.	Interest on money in Garesche Green & Co's.	9 38
18.	Cariboo Lodge, No 4, Donation.....	100 00
Dec. 31.		<u>5492 35</u>

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1890.			
June 22.	To balance.....	\$4678 76	Victoria B. C., June 21st 1890.
	as follows:		Fraternally submitted,
	200 shares, value.....	\$4000 00	H. F. HEISTERMAN,
	Cash in bank of Garesche Green & Co. 678 76		Grand Treasurer.
	To Interest accrued during the year	\$4678 76	
	to 30 June.....	27 43	
	Total.....	\$4706 19	

On motion, duly seconded, it was resolved that the Grand Treasurer's report be received, adopted, and printed, in the Proceedings.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

VICTORIA, B. C.

June 22nd, 1889.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, A. F. and A. M., British Columbia.

We, the undersigned Committee on Finance, beg leave to report, we have examined the accounts of the Grand Treasurer, and Grand Secretary, and find them correct.

WM. DALBY.
MORRIS MOSS.

The Deputy Grand Master handed to the Grand Secretary the report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

On motion, duly seconded, it was resolved that the reading of the report be dispensed with and that it be printed with the Proceedings.

R.: W.: Bro. I. Oppenheimer, District Deputy Grand Master, No. 2 District, presented his report.

REPORT OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER, DISTRICT NO. 2.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Wardens and Members of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge A. F. and A. M. of British Columbia.

It has pleased the Great Creator of Heaven and Earth that a year has elapsed since this Most Worshipful Grand Lodge placed me in the high and honorable position of District Deputy Grand Master of the New Westminster District, known as the Second Masonic District.

Upon receipt of the commission confirming my appointment I at once commenced my labors, and herewith beg to submit my Annual Report :-

VISITATIONS.

Official visitations have been made to the following Lodges:—

1888.

Dec. 27. To Mount Hermon Lodge, No. 7, to Install the officers.

Jan. 1, 1889. To Mount Hermon Lodge, No. 7, Inspection of Books, Records, etc., which I found correctly and neatly kept, witnessing their work in the First Degree, conferred in a highly efficient manner; the lecture thereon being most effectively rendered by R. W. Bro. A. H. B. McGowan, after which I addressed the Lodge, and subsequently a social hour was spent in the interchange of those hospitalities and courtesies which this Lodge knows so well how to extend.

April 2. To Mount Hermon Lodge, No. 7, Inspection of work.

May 7. " " " " 7, " "

June 4. " " " " 7, Presentation of Jewel to the W. M., Bro. C. R. T. Garrioch, who goes to reside East.

It has been particularly pleasing to me to witness the lively interest in Masonry generally, and in Mount Hermon Lodge in particular, displayed by Worshipful Brother Garrioch. Many of you are aware of his untiring zeal, and will, I am sure, unite with me in giving expression to the loss we all feel in his taking his departure from our midst. I am, however, pleased to state that what is our loss promises to be his gain, as he returns to his former home; I am sure that the brethren with whom his lot may be cast will find in him a valuable acquisition to their ranks. Let us therefore join with his Lodge in wishing Worshipful Brother Garrioch health, long life and prosperity; not forgetting also the hope that the seed so well sown by him in the management of his Lodge will be successfully cultivated by his successors for the advancement of the Fraternity.

VISITATIONS CONTINUED.

1888.

Sept. 27. To Union Lodge No. 9, Installation of officers by Rt. Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, J. S. Clute, and other officers of the M. W. Grand Lodge.

After these ceremonies a handsome Past Master's Jewel was presented, accompanied with well chosen remarks by the Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, to Worshipful Bro. Thos. Mowat, the retiring Master, who acknowledged his appreciation of the beautiful gift in an eloquent reply, which was followed by some interesting addresses from members of the Most Worshiptul Grand Lodge, and other brethren present.

During the evening an excellent entertainment was offered by the brethren to their visitors.

1889.

Feb. 6. To Union Lodge, No. 9, Inspection of Books and Records, and of work in Second Degree, reflecting great credit upon the Lodge; the lecture on Geometry in this degree, as given by W. Bro. Wm. Manson, being particularly interesting and instructive, and delivered in a very able and effective manner.

May 1. To Union Lodge, No. 9, Inspection of Work in First Degree and an address to the Lodge.

I can now say to this Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, that it gave me great pleasure to see the excellent manner in which the work of this Lodge is performed, evincing the steady training and successful ground work of its officers, and from the marked attention paid by the members, I feel confident they all take a deep interest in their work, while their own pleasure and satisfaction finds expression in the cordial invitations extended to all visiting brethren.

On Wednesday evening, 20th February, 1889, by invitation, and accompanied by Worshipful Brothers Downie, Cope, and Garrioch, Brothers Henderson, Creighton and others, I was present at a Masonic ball, given by the members of Union Lodge, which was largely attended, and proved in every way possible a grand social success.

It is hardly necessary to enlarge upon the beauty of the Masonic Temple in New Westminster, for most of the Craft in this Province must have seen it; sufficient, however, to say, that it ranks as one of the finest buildings on the Coast, not only reflecting great credit upon the Masonic Fraternity of New Westminster, but also being a lasting monument to the stability of our Institution. I hope to see more halls and buildings dedicated to and owned by the Fraternity, as its members increase in this jurisdiction.

VISITATIONS CONTINUED.

1888.

Nov. 19th. To Cascade Lodge No. 12. To install the Officers.

1889.

Jan. 2. To Cascade Lodge, No. 12. Inspection of Work in 1st Degree, and inspection of Books.

June 18. To Cascade Lodge, No. 12. Inspection of Work in 1st and 2nd Degrees, and an address to the Lodge.

I must here refer to the very able manner in which this Lodge is conducted by the Worshipful Master and Officers. Although

young in this jurisdiction, its presiding officer is evidently thoroughly posted in his work, and an enthusiastic director of a remarkably able body of men, who support their Master with all the interest and ability that can be brought to his aid, while for charity and hospitality Cascade Lodge is the equal of any of her sisters.

On Friday, 29th March, 1889, in compliance with direction of the M.: W.: Grand Master, attended an Emergency Meeting of the M.: W.: Grand Lodge, at which the new Masonic temple in Vancouver was solemnly dedicated to Masonry. On which auspicious occasion, the officers and members of Mount Hermon and Cascade Lodges received and welcomed the M.: W.: Grand Lodge.

On the evening of the dedication, the brethren of the two Lodges entertained the Grand Lodge officers and visiting brethren at a banquet given at Hotel Vancouver, where I had the honor of presiding. It is unnecessary for me to particularize that fraternal gathering, it being no doubt fresh in the memory of those attending it; but I desire to accord great credit to the officers and members of both Lodges for their untiring efforts to render the occasion a pleasing recollection to the Masonic fraternity of British Columbia.

On Sunday, March 31st, 1889, attended Divine Service at St. James Church, when an able and instructive sermon was delivered before the M.: W.: Grand Lodge by the V.: W.: Grand Chaplain, Rt. Rev. Bro. A. W. Sillitoe, Lord Bishop of New Westminster.

The rapid, progressive and beneficial advance made by Freemasonry within my district during the year just passed, has been most marked, indeed, I may truly say that our Ancient and Honorable Institution has grown with the growth, and prospered with the prosperity of this Province; this being exemplified by the fact that one of our Lodges, Mount Hermon No 7, has increased in number by initiations and affiliations over fourfold, while its sister Lodge, Cascade No 12, of whose birth only a few short months since, and subsequent steady and creditable progress, I have been a careful and interested observer, has now attained a firm membership of seventy-five, and from the display of talent and zeal in the management of both bodies, I can safely assure this Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of their ability to maintain their high standing and to continue their increase in numbers and devotion to the grand principles and sublime precepts of Freemasonry.

I will not here describe the new and commodious rooms occupied by the Fraternity in Vancouver, most of you having visited them. In brief I will say they are a credit to Cascade and Mount Hermon Lodges who occupy them and own the furniture in common, but while on this subject I deem it my duty as well as

an extreme pleasure to express the gratification it has given me at all times to witness the harmony and good feeling existing between these two Lodges meeting in the same Temple, and shown amongst the Brethren, all assimilating as one Lodge.

Let this good example and interchange of Masonic courtesy become more and more universal among the Brethren, for by so doing it cannot fail to spur each individual Officer and Member to strenuous exertion to make their own separate Lodges second to none in promoting these great attributes of our order: Friendship, Morality and Brotherly Love.

This particular subject I have deemed it my especial privilege to bring before the various Lodges within my District in my several addresses on visitations, and with most happy results, inducing frequent interchange of courtesies among the Lodges themselves as well as brotherly and friendly greetings to all sojourners and visitors, which cannot fail of appreciation by those found worthy of admission to the floor of the Lodge.

In concluding this report, Most Worshipful Sir, I have to thank yourself and the members of this Most Worshipful Grand Lodge for the high honor of my appointment as District Deputy Grand Master, and also to tender my acknowledgments to the Brethren generally within my District for the invariable civility and attentive consideration with which I have been everywhere received and respected as your representative.

I. OPPENHEIMER.

District Deputy Grand Master, District No. 2.

Vancouver, June 20th, 1889.

R.: W.: Bro. Sibree Clarke, District Deputy Grand Master, No. 3 District, presented his report.

REPORT OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER, DISTRICT NO. 3.

KAMLOOPS, June 6th, 1889.

To the M.: W.: Grand Master, R.: W.: V.: W.: and W.: Brethren of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, A. F. and A. M.

As D. D. G. M., for Yale-Kootenay District, No. 3, I beg to report as follows:—

I have visited all the Lodges in my district since the last annual communication of the Grand Lodge.

On July 25th, 1888, I visited Spallumcheen No. 13, in company

with V. V. W. Bro. Cooper, who is W. M. of the Lodge. Bro. Cooper dedicated the Lodge according to ancient usage, after which I installed the Officers.

This Lodge is numerically small, being situated in a sparsely populated region, and the brethren are scattered over a considerable extent of country, but several among them are well skilled, and all seemed determined to make the Lodge successful. A lot and building were bequeathed to the Lodge by the late Martin E. Furstenan, Esq., who had expressed his intention to apply for membership.

An account of the laying of the corner stone of the Masonic Temple at Kamloops, which circumstance prevented me from attending, has already been transmitted to the M. V. W. Grand Master.

The dedication of Kamloops Lodge, No. 10, by R. V. W. Bro. Clute, D. G. M., will doubtless appear in his address to Grand Lodge, but I may say that his visit gave very great pleasure to the brethren.

The able manner in which he performed the dedicatory ceremonies, his courteous demeanor and fraternal spirit won for him the respect and affection of the craft; and when he comes again, whether officially or unofficially, Kamloops Lodge will give him a warm and hearty welcome.

On March 8th, I made an official visit to my own Lodge, Kamloops No. 10, and installed the officers for the current year. The attendance was unusually large and the meeting was most harmonious and pleasant. On this occasion, I was assisted by W. Bros. Bannerman, Grahame and McGregor.

On March 11th, in my official capacity, I visited Mountain Lodge, No. 11, and installed the officers, being assisted by W. Bros. Dr. S. J. Tunstall and Jno. Bannerman, who kindly went from Kamloops for that purpose. On this occasion, the retiring Master, W. Bro. Downie, was presented with a Past Master's Jewel, on behalf of the Lodge, by W. Bro. Hamilton, the newly installed Master.

Mountain Lodge, No. 11, does good work, and is one of the most prosperous lodges in the jurisdiction, as will be seen by the returns to the Grand Lodge.

Being in Vancouver Feb. 18th, I had the pleasure of visiting Cascade, No. 12, and received a most cordial welcome from W. Bro. Downie and the officers and brethren generally. V. W. Bro. Rt. Rev. Bishop Sillitoe was also present, being received with the customary grand honors. Several candidates presented themselves for admittance and

advancement, and the occasion was both enjoyable and instructive. Cascade Lodge has the reputation of doing excellent work, and what struck me was, that the work was not done well by a few officers and indifferently well done by others, but was uniformly and generally well done, and this is what is needed to bring out the full beauty of the ritual.

I have the honor to be Representative near this Grand Lodge of the M.: W.: Grand Lodge of the State of Vermont, and it gives me pleasure to say that the Order, there, is in a most prosperous condition. M. W. Bro. Hall, says, "Never since I became familiar with the workings of the different Masonic organizations, have I seen a more earnest desire manifested, not only to excel in ritualistic work and ceremonial, but to become better posted in the law and philosophy of Masonry, and to turn out material qualified to stand the test of the overseer's square, that should measure the mental and moral worth of the man."

In surrendering the trust reposed in me, I desire to thank the M.: W.: Grand Master, R. W. Deputy Grand Master and V.: W.: Grand Secretary for needed counsel on various occasions, and to acknowledge the fraternal kindness of the Craft generally, fully conscious of many shortcomings, I beg to assure the Brethren that my humble services may be at all times commanded for the advancement of Masonry.

Faternally submitted,

SIBREE CLARKE,
D. D. G. M.

V.: W.: Grand Secretary presented the report of R.: W.: Bro. H. McDermott, District Deputy Grand Master, No. 4 District.

REPORT OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER, DISTRICT, NO. 4.

BARKERVILLE, June 7th, 1880.

H. BROWN, Esq.

V.: W.: Dear Sir and Brother,—I have the honor to report that matters Masonic in this district, seem to be on the improve. We have added three to the membership of Cariboo Lodge since the new year. One petition for the degrees we had to reject owing to the non-belief of the petitioner, who I am bound to say is in every other respect, as far as we can judge from his demeanor, a very good man; another petition is now in the hands of a committee from one who, we hope, will meet with the approbation of all the members. As members move away from here to other places where they can affiliate with other Lodges, they generally do so; in that way we have had to part with two of our members

this year. Though we regret the loss to the Lodge, we comfort ourselves with the hope that they will gain thereby.

The members of Cariboo Lodge take a lively interest in Masonry, paying their dues, in most cases, promptly, and giving a very regular attendance at all the meetings.

Being present at all the communications during the last year, I have not deemed it necessary to call a special one for exemplifying the work, yet I think I am safe in saying that it is very good.

Concerning the Ritual, Cariboo Lodge, is unanimous in opposition to any change from the present form, as we believe from our intercourse with Masons from the neighboring States, that it is nearly, if not entirely, similar to that in use in a great majority of the Lodges on this Continent.

I regret very much that I cannot be with you at the coming session, but assure you that you have my earnest wishes for a pleasant, and to the Craft a profitable one.

Wishing unlimited prosperity to the Craft throughout the Province, I have the honor to be,

Yours fraternally,

H. McDERMOTT,
D. D. G. M.

On motion, duly seconded, it was resolved that the several reports be received and printed with the proceedings.

MONEY GRANTS.

On motion, duly seconded, it was resolved that Money Grants be the same as last year.

At the hour of 5.30, the Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until 7 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

7.30 p. m.

The Grand Lodge was called on, and the Brethren sang an opening hymn.

The Reports of the Committee on the addresses of the M. W. Grand Master and the R. W. Deputy Grand Master

were read, and on motion, duly seconded, were ordered to be printed (see pages 51 and 55.)

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The M. W. Grand Master called attention to the sections bearing on the election, and appointed Bros. R. Craig, A. McAllister and J. Quinlan as scrutineers.

Bro. P. M. McMicking asked for information as to the qualification of candidates for office in the Grand Lodge.

The M. W. Grand Master ruled that any member of Grand Lodge, being a Past Master, is eligible for office.

Bro. Grand Secretary, with the assistance of the scrutineers, was then instructed to poll the vote, and reported that there were present, the following votes:—

Lodge, No. 1.....	15
“ “ 2.....	13
“ “ 3.....	8
“ “ 4.....	3
“ “ 7.....	3
“ “ 9.....	11
“ “ 10.....	5
“ “ 11.....	3
“ “ 12.....	5
“ “ 13.....	3
Total.....	69 votes.

The election was then proceeded with and resulted as follows:—

Bro. J. S. Clute, No. 9.....	M. W. Grand Master
“ A. McKeown, No. 1.....	R. W. Deputy Grand Master
“ M. Wolfe, No. 3.....	“ “ Grand Senior Warden
“ W. Downie, No. 12.....	“ “ Junior “
Rev. “ A. W. Sillitoe, No. 9 (re-elected) “	“ “ Chaplain
“ H. F. Heisterman, No. 2 “	“ “ Treasurer
“ H. Brown, No. 1... “	“ “ Secretary
“ W. Trickey, No. 1. “	“ “ Tyler

The M.: W.: Grand Lodge was then called from labor to refreshment, to come on again at 10.30 a. m., on Sunday, 23rd day of June, for the purpose of attending Divine Service at St. John's Church. The M.: W.: Grand Master expressed a desire that all would be present, as special services with full choral music had been prepared and would doubtless be very impressive and instructive.

The M. W. Grand Master also informed all visiting Brethren present that they were cordially invited to partake of the banquet which had been provided for the entertainment of the Grand Lodge by the members of City Lodges, Nos. 1 and 2.

The Brethren then adjourned to the Delmonico Hotel, where a sumptuous banquet had been prepared, and after doing ample justice to the good things provided, dispersed at about 12.30, well pleased with their entertainment.

SUNDAY, JUNE 23.

10.30 a. m.

The M.: W.: Grand Master called the Grand Lodge to labor, and ordered the Grand Marshal to take any assistance he required and form a procession, which, with the assistance of Bro. Stewart, was done, and the Brethren proceeded to St. John's church, where a very interesting service was enjoyed and an impressive sermon preached by the V.: W.: Grand Chaplain Rt. Revd. Bro. A. W. Sillitoe, Lord Bishop of New Westminster.

On returning to the Lodge room the M.: W.: Grand Master thanked the Brethren for their attendance, and paid a tribute to the Rector and Choir of St. John's church, and also to the V.: W.: Grand Chaplain.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until 9.30 a. m. on Monday, the 24th.

ST. JOHN'S DAY, MONDAY JUNE 24.

The M.: W.: Grand Master called the Grand Lodge to labor at 10 a. m. Prayer by the Grand chaplain.

Bro. Clute, Deputy Grand Master, moved, and Bro. Dalby, P. G. M., seconded:— "That the order of business be changed and that the Installation be deferred until the end of the session." Bros. Stewart, Buie, Miller and other Brethren spoke against the motion. Bro. Clute explained his only reason for asking for the postponement of Installation was to give time for him to consult his Brethren elect as to the selection of the appointed Officers for the ensuing year. Bro. Grand Chaplain and Bro. Beaven, P. G. S. W., supported the motion and said it was clearly the duty of all to be present. After further discussion, the M.: W.: Grand Master, without putting the motion, decided to pursue the regular order of business, and called off for half an hour to allow the Grand Master elect to appoint the Officers for the ensuing year.

11 O'CLOCK.

Grand Lodge at labor.

The M.: W.: Grand Master stated that the order of business was the Installation of Officers, and called on the Grand Secretary to read the list of elected and appointed Officers.

Upon the Grand Lodge having confirmed the election and expressed their assent, the M.: W.: Grand Master called on the Director of Ceremonies to introduce the Grand Master elect for the benefit of Installation, who was duly obligated, invested and installed in ample form, and proclamation made thereof with the Grand Honors in the South, West and East.

The remaining Officers elected and appointed were then amply installed into their respective offices and saluted in due and ancient form.

GRAND OFFICERS, 5889-90.

<i>Name.</i>	<i>Lodge No.</i>	<i>Rank.</i>
Bro. J. S. Clute,.....	9.....	M.: W.: Grand Master
" A. McKeown,.....	1.....	R.: W.: Deputy Grand Master
" M. Wolfe,.....	3.....	R.: W.: Grand Senior Warden
" W. Downie,.....	12.....	R.: W.: Grand Junior Warden
" A. W. Sillitoe,.....	9.....	V.: W.: Grand Chaplain
" H. F. Heisterman,.....	2.....	V.: W.: Grand Treasurer
" H. Brown,.....	1.....	V.: W.: Grand Secretary
" M. Moss,.....	2.....	R.: W.: D. D. Grand Master 1
" I. Oppenheimer,.....	7.....	" " " " " " 2
" T. Downie,.....	11.....	" " " " " " 3
" H. McDermott,.....	4.....	" " " " " " 4
" A. Haslam,.....	3.....	" " " " " " 5
" G. S. Russell,.....	1.....	W.: Grand Senior Deacon
" J. M. Miller,.....	2.....	W.: Grand Junior Deacon
" A. E. Lees,.....	3.....	W.: Grand Supt. of Works
" J. Buie,.....	9.....	W.: Grand Director of Ceremonies
" A. H. B. McGowan,*.....	12.....	W.: Grand Marshal
" J. S. Hamilton,.....	11.....	W.: Grand Sword Bearer
" E. J. Peck,*.....	7.....	W.: Grand Standard Bearer
" S. J. Tunstall,*.....	10.....	W.: Grand Organist
" W. Manson,.....	2.....	W.: Grand Pursuivant
" Jas. Stone,*.....	4.....	W.: Grand Steward
" Alex Charleson,.....	9.....	" " "
" J. W. Horne,.....	12.....	" " "
" H. A. Berry,*.....	7.....	" " "
" T. B. Pearson,.....	1.....	" " "
" P. Æ. Irving,.....	2.....	" " "
" W. Trickey,.....	1.....	Grand Tyler

* Not present at Installation.

COMMITTEES.

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

Bro. P. Grant.....	Union, No. 9
Bro. H. Hoy.....	Union, No. 9
Bro. W. A. Duncan.....	Union, No. 9

FINANCE.

Bro. M. Moss	Vancouver-Quadra, No. 2
Bro. R. B. McMicking	Vancouver-Quadra, No. 2
Bro. J. W. Horne.....	Cascade, No. 12

JURISPRUDENCE.

Bro. H. F. Heisterman	Vancouver-Quadra, No. 2
Bro. M. W. Waitt.....	Vancouver-Quadra, No. 2
Bro. T. R. Mitchell	Victoria-Columbia, No. 1

PETITIONS AND GRIEVANCES.

Bro. W. Stewart	Ashlar, No. 3
Bro. A. Haslam	Ashlar, No. 3
Bro. R. Craig	Ashlar, No. 3

PRINTING AND CHARTERED LODGES.

Bro. W. Dalby	Vancouver-Quadra, No. 2
Bro. G. S. Russell	Victoria-Columbia, No. 1
Bro. W. J. Quinlan.....	Victoria-Columbia, No. 1

CHARITY.

Bro. R. B. Kelly	Union, No. 9
Bro. L. R. Johnson.....	Cascade, No. 12
Bro. J. McAlister.....	Mt. Hermon, No. 7

CONSTITUTION.

Bro. W. Manson	Vancouver-Quadra, No. 2
Bro. T. Mowat	Union, No. 9
Bro. B. Douglas.....	Union, No. 9

The newly installed Grand Master addressed the brethren, calling their attention to the high and important duties which they had undertaken, requesting their assistance and support, and paid a high compliment to his predecessor in office and the retiring Grand Officers.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until 2 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 p. m. Grand Lodge at labor.

The first business taken up was the question of transfer of the stock in the Masonic Temple, held by the Grand Lodge,

to Victoria-Columbia Lodge, Vancouver-Quadra Lodge and the Columbia Royal Arch Chapter.

The M. W. Past Grand Master A. R. Milne, submitted the following:--

"The Lodges in the city of Victoria, having acquired the greater proportion of the stock of the Masonic Temple in the city of Victoria, and they being animated with a desire to own and control the same, and whereas at the division of the late Fund of Benevolence the sum of \$4300 in shares was apportioned to the new Charity Fund of the Grand Lodge, at the earnest desire of the brethren in Victoria, I have entered into an arrangement with them (subject to the approval of the Grand Lodge) that the shares owned by the Grand Lodge shall be transferred to Victoria-Columbia Lodge No. 1, Vancouver-Quadra Lodge No 2, and Columbia Royal Arch Chapter, they giving good and sufficient security to the satisfaction of the Grand Master. This arrangement, when consummated will be in conformity to an agreement entered into by the before mentioned bodies at a joint convention held at Masonic Temple in the city of Victoria."

Bro. E. Harrison, Sr., spoke as to the conditions on which the Trustees held the property; Bro. Beaven also expressed his opinion as to the desirability of having the matter settled satisfactorily to the brethren. After further discussion it was on motion, duly seconded, unanimously resolved that the action of Past Grand Master A. R. Milne be endorsed.

The next business taken up was the several notices on the Summons.

Moved by Bro. Buie, P. M., Union Lodge No. 9, seconded by Bro. W. Stewart, P. M., Ashlar Lodge No. 3:--"All Lodges which shall hereafter be chartered in this jurisdiction, together with such of those now holding charters, as by a majority vote of the members present at a meeting

called for that purpose may desire it, shall open and close, initiate, pass and raise in conformity with the York Rite of Masonry, as is the practice in the Lodges under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodges of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edwards Island, and the several Grand Lodges throughout the United States of America, and assimilate their work as closely as possible to the work as it is now done in Lodges Nos. 2, 3, 4, 7 and 9 of this jurisdiction."

After considerable discussion by the brethren, Bro. Northcott moved an amendment, seconded by Bro. W. Downie:—

"Whereas on the 26th of December, 1871, the M.: W.: Grand Master, I. W. Powell, in his address to this Grand Lodge, made use of the following language.—

" 'The Ritual is one of the most significant questions with which we shall have to deal, and demands the most temperate and careful consideration. The adoption of uniformity, all will concede to be most desirable, especially in view of the erection of new lodges in the jurisdiction. On the other hand, all must recollect that our Grand Lodge is formed by the union of the English and Scottish Crafts of the province, each of whom are wedded and are partial to their own particular work. Hence under any and all circumstances, lodges taking part in the formation of this Grand Lodge, should have full permission to continue the work they now practise so long as they desire to do so; but I would even go further, and for the present at least, pay another tribute to the moderation and desire for harmony which have characterized our proceedings, and allow any lodge which may hereafter be formed to choose and adopt either ritual at present practised in the province.'

"And whereas the Committee appointed to report on the Grand Master's address, reported:—'We cordially coincide with the views expressed throughout the address, more especially as regards those in reference to ritual and regalia,'

signed, Robt. Burnaby, S. Duck, R. Lewis, Eli Harrison, M. W. Waitt, which was adopted and carried.

"Therefore be it Resolved,

"That the rituals now practised in this jurisdiction by the subordinate lodges under the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, viz.: the English, the Scottish or York Rite, and the Ritual of the Grand Lodge of Canada, remain as at present in use by the lodges, and that new lodges be permitted to select one of the three as they may see fit; but that no other Ritual shall be recognized in this jurisdiction."

Further discussion took place, and when all had expressed their opinion, Bro. S. Clarke moved, and Bro. T. B. Pearson seconded, the following amendment to the amendment:—"That the further consideration of the question of ritual be deferred until the next annual communication of Grand Lodge," which on being put to the vote, was declared lost.

The amendment was then put and declared lost.

The original motion was then put, and, on division, was declared lost.

Moved by Bro. H. F. Heisterman, P. M. Vancouver-Quadra, No. 2, V. V. W. V. Grand Treasurer, seconded by Bro. D. Cartmel, P. M., amend clause 70, page 28, Constitution, 5th line: in lieu of "25," insert "10."--Carried.

Moved by Bro. G. S. Russell, W. M. Victoria-Columbia, No. 1,—"That this Grand Lodge adopt the English Ritual as the Ritual of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, requiring all Lodges which may hereafter be chartered to work in conformity therewith; permitting Lodges now holding charters to adopt the same, if by an unanimous vote, at a Regular Meeting called for that purpose the brethren shall so decide."

Bro. G. S. Russell asked leave to withdraw his motion, which was allowed

Moved by D. H. Ross, D. D. G. M. and duly seconded, to amend the Constitution as follows:—

Clause 3. After the word "Master" in second line on page 16, insert "of a lodge."—Carried.

" 9. After "Grand Junior Wardens," add "District Deputy Grand Masters."

" 11. Before "Grand Senior Deacon," add "District Deputy Grand Masters."

" 13. After "Past Grand Junior Wardens," add "District Deputy Grand Masters."

" 13. After "District Deputy Grand Masters," add "Past District Deputy Grand Masters."

Clauses 9, 11, 13 and 13, after discussion, were amended as follows:—"D. D. Grand Masters to rank after elected officers," and carried.

Clause 18. Third line, strike out "Saturday," and insert "Friday." Amended to read "Thursday" instead of "Friday," and carried.

Clause 129. Second line, after "Lodge," insert "nor." Fifth line, strike out "or in which he was initiated." Eighth line, strike out "and also a certificate," and insert "a" after "or."—Carried.

New clause. 120 (a). No Brother shall be admitted to membership in any Lodge, who is already a member of a Lodge in this jurisdiction (unless he be an Honorary Member, when his application may be received in the prescribed form.)—Carried.

Clause 131. Strike out all after "Master" on 9th line.—Carried.

" 132. Strike out this clause.—Carried.

" 133. Strike out "twelve" on second line and insert "six."—Lost.

" 136. Line 18, after the word "and" add "if for the Degrees."—Carried.

Clause 137. Strike out this clause. — Carried.

“ 166. Amend last section, Scale of Fees; strike out “twenty-five” and insert “fifty.”—Withdrawn.

The hour being 5.30, the Grand Lodge was called off until 7.30 o'clock p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

7.30. p. m.

Grand Lodge at labor.

Moved by brother Craig, of Ashlar, No. 3, and seconded by brother Miller, of Vancouver-Quadra, No. 2:—“Whereas the interests of the Craft will be furthered by increasing the number of District Deputies from four to five, be it resolved that Vancouver Island be divided into two districts, to be known as Victoria and Nanaimo Districts respectively and that Deputies be appointed to those places.”—Carried.

Moved by W. W. Northcott, P. M. of No. 1, seconded by W. Bro. Buie, of No. 9:—“That the Secretary and Treasurer of this Grand Lodge have their reports printed and sent to each member of Grand Lodge at least one week before the meeting of the Annual Grand Lodge Session, so that the Delegates to Grand Lodge then will be able to deal intelligently with the above reports.”—Carried.

Moved by Bro. Hoy, seconded by Bro. T. R. Mitchell:—“That the next Annual Meeting of this Grand Lodge be held at the city of Vancouver.”—Carried.

Moved by Bro. I. Oppenheimer, seconded by Bro. E. Harrison, Sr.:—“That the thanks of this Grand Lodge be tendered to the Rector and Churchwardens of St. John's church for their courtesy in placing the sacred edifice at the disposal of the Grand Lodge on Sunday, the 23rd June.”—Carried.

Moved by Bro. R. Beaven, seconded by Bro. E. Harrison, Sr.:—“That the thanks of the Grand Lodge be tendered to

V. W. Bro. the Rt. Rev. A. W. Sillitoe, Grand Chaplain, for preparing a special service for the use of Grand Lodge, and for the able and interesting Sermon delivered by him at St. John's Church on the 23rd of June, and that the Bro. be respectfully requested to furnish the Grand Lodge with a copy of the sermon, so that it may be printed."—Carried.

Moved by P. G. M. Bro. E. Harrison, Sr., seconded by Bro. Thos. R. Mitchell:—"That a suitable testimonial be procured by the M. W. Grand Master, and presented to the Grand Chaplain, in recognition of his valuable and instructive services to the craft in this province."—Carried.

Moved by Bro. W. W. Northcott, and seconded by Bro. W. Downie:—"That the proceedings of this Grand Lodge, be ordered to be printed."—Carried.

NEW REGALIA FOR GRAND LODGE.

The V. W. Grand Secretary informed the Grand Lodge that, under instructions from the Grand Master, he had been in communication with Bro. Geo. Kenning, London, England, and Bro. Morrison, of Toronto, who had furnished prices and estimates for new regalia, which were then laid before the Grand Lodge. After discussion, the matter was, on motion, duly seconded, deferred for one year.

UNITED GRAND LODGE OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

Grand Secretary laid before the Grand Lodge, articles of union, letters, circulars, and all documents in connection with the formation of the above Grand Lodge, and on motion of Past Grand Master Bro. A. R. Milne, seconded by District Deputy Grand Master Bro. I. Oppenheimer, it was unanimously resolved that the M. W. Grand Lodge, of British Columbia, extend, fraternal greetings to the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales, as sovereign Grand Lodge of the jurisdiction, and congratulate the new Grand Lodge, desiring the usual interchange of Grand Representatives, and that a commission be issued to W. Bro. J. F. Burns, as our Represent-

ative, and that the name of M. W. Bro. E. Crow Baker be recommended as the representative of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales near this Grand Lodge.

UNITED GRAND LODGE OF VICTORIA, AUSTRALIA.

Bro. Grand Secretary laid before the Grand Lodge, letters, circulars and all documents in connection with the formation of the above Grand Lodge. Bro. H. Hoy, P. Senior Grand Warden, moved, and Bro. M. Moss, District Deputy Grand Master, seconded, "that fraternal recognition, with the usual interchange of Grand representatives, be entered into with the United Grand Lodge of Victoria, Australia, and that a commission be issued to R. W. Bro. F. G. Manchester as our representative, also that the name of M. W. Bro. W. Dalby be recommended as the Grand Representative of the United Grand Lodge of Victoria, Australia, near this Grand Lodge," which, on being put to the vote, was unanimously carried.

11.45 P. M.

No further business appearing, the M. W. Grand Master asked M. W. Bro. Milne to pronounce the benediction, after which the Grand Lodge of British Columbia was closed in ample form, and so proclaimed by the Grand Director of Ceremonies in the South, West and East.

A. Brown
Grand Secretary

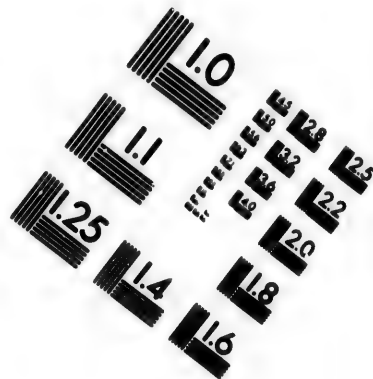
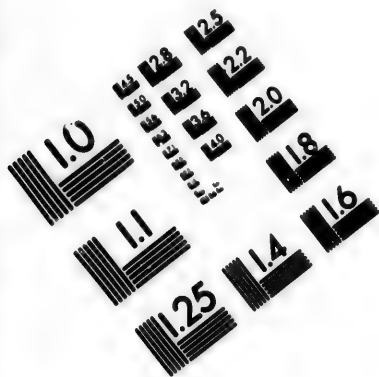
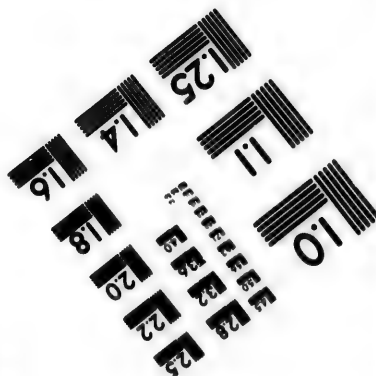
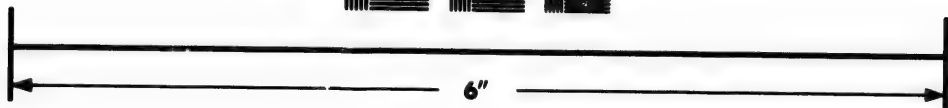
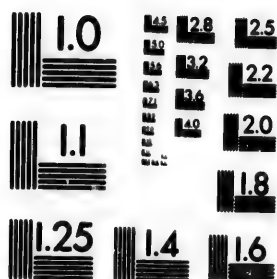


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MASONIC BUILDING TRUSTEES IN ACCOUNT CURRENT WITH MASONIC TEMPLE SHAREHOLDERS.

DR.

1st July, 1888, to 1st July, 1889.

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1888,	To Balance from last year.....	\$ 22 94	By Fire Insurance Imperial.....	\$ 43 75	70 00
June 30.	" Rents collected—		Phoenix.....	20 25	87 56
	Victoria-Columbia Lodge, 12 months, \$240		" Taxes, Municipal.....		54 10
	Vancouver-Quadrant Lodge, 12 months, 240		" Collection 5 per cent on \$1082.....		900 00
	Columbia R. A. Chapter, 12 months, 180		" Dividend on 600 Shares @ \$1.50 per share.....		9 86
	Grand Secretary's Office, 12 months, 50		" Balance forward to new account.....		
	Russell, McDonald & Co., 12 months, 360				
	E. C. Baker, 12 months, 12	1062 00			
	" Interest on rents deposited with Gareache,	16 52			
	Green & Co.,.....	\$1,121 46			
1888,					\$1,121 46
July	To Balance.....	\$ 9 86			

Fraternally submitted,

H. F. HEISTERMAN,

Agent for the Trustees.

Grand Representatives near other Grand Lodges.

Grand Lodges.	Grand Representatives.	Residence.
Arizona.....	R.: W.: Merrill P. Pingree....	Freeman
Alabama.....	R.: W.: Stephen H. Beasley...	Montgomery.
Arkansas.....	W.: J. B. Bond.....	Little Rock.
Bayreuth.....	R.: W.: Puchta.....	Bayreuth.
California.....	W.: J. Laidley.....	San Francisco.
Colorado.....	W.: Frank C. Young.....	Denver City.
Connecticut.....	W.: Nelson G. Hinckley.....	Hartford.
Canada.....	R.: W.: John Creasor.....	Owen Sound.
Colon and Cuba.....	W.: Felix Companioni.....	Havana.
Columbia District.	W.: John Lockie	Washington, D. C.
Delaware.....	R.: W.: Chas. C. Heisler.....	Wilmington.
Dakota.....		
England.....	W.: J. Braddock Moncton.....	London.
Florida.....	W.: Livingstone W. Bethel...	Jacksonville.
Georgia.....	W.: Calvin Fay.....	Atlanta.
Iowa.....	R.: W.: J. W. Satterthwaite...	Davenport.
Idaho.....	W.: T. Dickson.....	Silver City.
Illinois.....	R.: W.: Loyal L. Munn.....	Freeport.
Indiana.....	W.: Wm. F. Tuley.....	Indianapolis.
Indian Territory.		
Italy.....	R.: W.: Adriano Lemme.....	Rome.
Kansas.....	W.: Wm. D. Thompson.....	Minneapolis,
Kentucky.....	R.: W.: Elisha Warfield.....	Louisville.
Louisiana.....	W.: Amos Kent.....	Vermilionville.
Manitoba.....	W.: John Stanley Hough.....	Winnipeg, Manitoba.
Missouri.....	W.: Theo. Brace.....	Jefferson City.
Maine.....	W.: Wm. A. Poor.....	Belfast.
Michigan.....	M.: W.: R. C. Hathaway.....	Grand Rapids.
Nevada.....	W.: Chas. W. Friend.....	Virginia City.
Nova Scotia.....	R.: W.: Thos. R. Harris.....	Aylesford.
New South Wales	W.: J. F. Burns, L. S. A.....	Sydney.
New York.....	W.: P. H. Melley.....	New York.
New Brunswick	W.: Thos. F. Gillespie.....	St. John, N. B.
New Jersey.....	W.: Henry S. Haines.....	Patterson.
Nebraska.....	W.: Wm. Adair.....	Dakota City.
New Hampshire	W.: Wm. R. Burleigh.....	Great Falls.
Oregon.....		
Ohio.....	W.: W. A. Ward.....	Conneaut.
Pennsylvania.....	W.: Pearson Church.....	Philadelphia.
Peru.....	W.: E. V. Chavez.....	Lima.
Quebec.....	W.: Dickson Anderson.....	Montreal.
Rhode Island.....	W.: Isaac Lawrence.....	Newport.
Scotland.....	R.: W.: Edward Savage.....	Aberdeen.
South Carolina.....	W.: A. W. Taft.....	Charleston.
Tennessee.....	R.: W.: John S. Dashiell.....	Nashville.
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Vermont.....	R.: W.: Henry W. Hutchings.	Bellows Falls.
West Virginia	R.: W.: Roger B. Rees.....	Clifton.
Washington Ter.	W.: James R. Hayden.....	Olympia.
Wyoming.....		
Wisconsin.....		
Victoria, Australia	R.: W.: F. G. Manchester....	Melbourne.

Grand Representatives near this Grand Lodge.

Grand Lodge.	Grand Representatives.	Residence.
Arizona	R. W. I. Oppenheimer	Vancouver
Alabama	W. A. A. Green	Victoria
Arkansas	M. W. E. C. Baker	Victoria
Bayreuth	V. W. H. F. Heisterman	Victoria
California	R. W. Mark Bate	Nanaimo
Colorado	R. W. Wm. Stewart	Nanaimo
Connecticut	W. Benjamin Springer	Moodyville
Canada	M. W. William Dalby	Victoria
Colon and Cuba	W. John Teague	Victoria
Columbia District	M. W. E. Harrison, Sr.	Victoria
Delaware	R. W. Robert B. Kelly	New Westminster
Dakota		
England		
Florida	R. W. W. T. Livock	Victoria
Georgia	M. W. E. C. Baker	Victoria
Iowa	W. Ralph L. Craig	Nanaimo
Idaho	W. William Howay	New Westminster
Illinois	W. W. W. Northcott	Victoria
Indiana	R. W. Robert Beaven	Victoria
Indian Territory	V. W. Thomas Shotbolt	Victoria
Italy	R. W. E. C. Neufelder	Victoria
Kansas	W. Alex. Mayer	Nanaimo
Kentucky	M. W. Thomas Trounce	Victoria
Louisiana	M. W. Frederick Williams	Victoria
Manitoba	R. W. Eli Harrison, Jr.	Victoria
Missouri	W. R. B. McMicking	Victoria
Maine	W. M. Wolfe	Nanaimo
Michigan	M. W. A. R. Milne	Victoria
Nevada	W. James Brown	Nanaimo
Nova Scotia		
New South Wales	M. W. E. C. Baker	Victoria
New York	R. W. J. J. Southgate	Victoria
New Brunswick		
New Jersey	M. W. Eli Harrison, Sr.	Victoria
Nebraska	W. R. P. Rithet	Victoria
New Hampshire	R. W. Eli Harrison, Jr.	Victoria
Oregon	V. W. H. F. Heisterman	Victoria
Ohio	R. W. H. Hoy	New Westminster
Pennsylvania	R. W. Dixie H. Ross	Victoria
Peru	W. C. Novello Westwood	Nanaimo
Quebec	W. James Reid	Quesnelle
Rhode Island	W. John Teague	Victoria
Scotland	M. W. A. R. Milne	Victoria
South Carolina	M. W. Henry Brown	Victoria
Tennessee	R. W. A. McKeown	Victoria
Utah	V. W. H. F. Heisterman	Victoria
Vermont	R. W. Sibree Clark	Kamloops
West Virginia	M. W. Eli Harrison, Sr.	Victoria
Washington Ter.	V. W. M. W. Waitt	Victoria
Wyoming	M. W. Henry Brown	Victoria
Wisconsin	R. W. J. S. Clute	New Westminster
Victoria, Australia	M. W. Wm Dalby	Victoria

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California.....	Alex. J. Abell.....	San Francisco.
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Indian Territory.....	J. S. Murrow.....	Atoka.
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Kansas.....	John H. Brown.....	Wyandotte.
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Rhode Island.....	Edwin Baker.....	Providence.
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Wisconsin.....	John W. Latlin.....	Milwaukee.
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Austro-Hungary..	Joseph Hausdorfer.....	Budapest.
Belgium.....	Rian Nedgrot.....	Brussels.
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France—Lodge...	P. D. Hamel.....	Paris.
" —Council..	E. Berard.....	Paris.
Germany—	E. T. P. Meyerhoff.....	Berlin.
Three Globes...	C. W. Lynde.....	Berlin.
National.....	Wilhelm Rahe.....	Berlin.
Royal York	C. A. Bouche.....	Berlin.
Hamburg.....	F. W. Bokelmann.....	Hamburg.
Hesse Darmstadt	Dr. Carl Nies.....	Darmstadt.
Union Eclectic..	Karl Paul.....	Frankfort-on-Main.
Saxony.....	F. G. Steubler.....	Dresden.
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Italy.....	Dr. Luigi Castellazzo.....	Rome
Portugal.....	J. d'A de Franco-Netto.....	Libson.
Roumania.....	Dr. N. Theodoreschi.....	Bucharest.
Spain—Lodge	Don Juan U. Y. Fernandez....	Madrid.
" —National..	Julia Fernandez Espina.....	Madrid.
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DIRECTORY OF GRAND LODGES—Continued.

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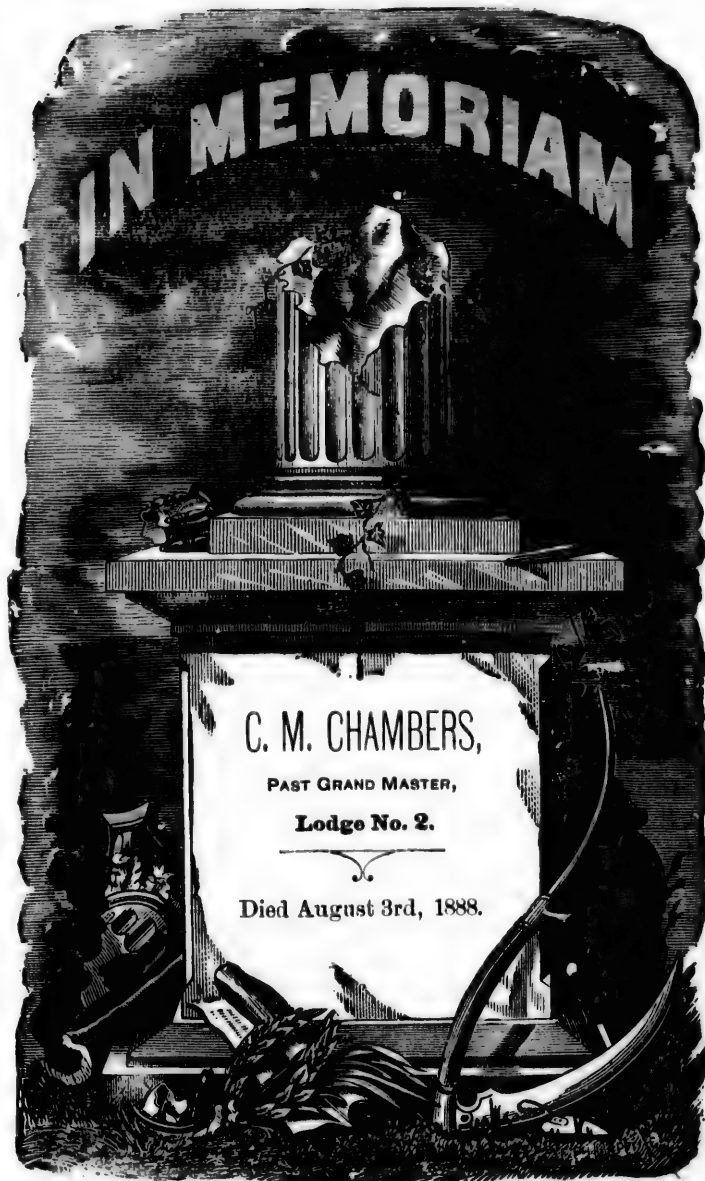
Grand Lodge.	Grand Secretary.	Address.
United G. Lodge of New South Wales	Arthur H. Bray.....	Sydney, Australia.
United G. Lodge of Victoria, Australia	T. H. Lempriere.....	Melbourne, Victoria
South Australia...	James H. Cunningham.....	Adelaide.

AFRICAN.

Egypt.....	C. D. Bernadi.....	Cairo.
Liberia.....	Chas. T. King.....	Monrovia.
Tunis.....	Edward Nurri.....	Tunis.

SOUTH AMERICAN AND WEST INDIES.

Argentine Rehub.	Otto E. Reeke.....	Buenos Ayres.
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Peru.....	J. Ego Aguirre.....	Lima.
San Domingo....	L. Gibbes.....	San Domingo.
Uruguay.....	B. Conrado.....	Montevideo.
Venezuela.....	J. M. Medina.....	Caracas.



Called from Labor to Rest.

W. E. Blackett, Lodge No. 3.

June 14th, 1888.

Thos. Inge, Lodge No. 2.

June 14th, 1888.

A. C. Couves, Lodge No. 1.

July 13th, 1888.

H. A. Harrison, Lodge No. 1.

July 27th, 1888.

Jos. Humphreys, Lodge No. 7.

December 2nd, 1888.

Jos. Webb, Lodge No. 3.

January 15th, 1889.

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Requiescat in Pace.

Returns of the Subordinate Lodges

UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE

M. M. Grand Lodge of British Columbia.

To February 28th, 1888.

Victoria Columbia Lodge, No. 1.

VICTORIA, B. C.

Regular Communications are held on the First Thursday in each month at 7:30 p. m.

OFFICERS.

George S. Russell, W. M.	J. C. Campbell, Director of Ceremonies.
T. B. Pearson, S. W.	R. Wilcox, S. D.
W. J. Quinlan, J. W.	W. R. Brown, J. D.
John Teague, P. M., Treas.	C. D. Mason, Steward.
R. B. Esnouf, Sec'y.	F. W. Garland, Steward.
A. F. Hookway, Organist.	A. St. G. Flint, I. G.
	W. Trickay, Tyler.

PAST MASTERS.

Brown, Hy.	Livock, W. T.	Nathan, Hy.	Shotbolt, Thos.
Baker, E. C.	Millar, J.	Northcott, W. W.	Trounce, Thos.
Cartmel, D.	McKeown, A.	Piercy, J.	Thomson, G.
Elder, R.	Mitchell, T. R.	Salmon, E. J.	Teague, J.
Harrison, Wm.	McGregor, M.	Southgate, J. J.	Weiler, J.
		Williams, Fred'k.	

MASTER MASONS.

Andrews, J.	Fraser, R. L.	Langley, E.	Richards, S. M.
Arthur, W.	Finlaison, W. H.	McNerney, J.	Robinson, J. J.
Anderson, W.	Forrest, E. H.	McDonald, A.	Renouf, C. E.
Bossi, G.	Gray, S.	McCahill, M.	Rusta, A.
Broderick, R.	Gray, E. J.	McNiven, A.	Ridgman, A. H.
Bendrodt, J. P.	Green, A. A.	McMillan, D.	Reid, A. R.
Barnard, F. S.	Grant, A.	McCauley, A. G.	Russell, J.
Bourchier, F.	Guslean, C.	Mitchell, T. G.	Sheehan, D.
Campbell, D.	Gardiner, W. E.	Millar, A.	Stockham, F.
Cumiff, T.	Higgins, D. W.	Munro, G. E.	Shaw, W. N.
Cohen, J. A.	Howard, J. T.	Morrison, J. W.	Salmon, M.
Clinton, G. W.	Hartnell, H. J.	Mesher, G.	Saunders, Hy.
Creech, W.	Hollins, J. M.	Mesher, G. C.	Smith, V. W.
Church, J. E.	Harrison, S. G.	Monk, T.	Smith, J. McK.
Chapchase, R.	Jordan, W. G.	Mason, R.	Stanton, H.
Curral, W. D.	Jeffcott, J. E.	Mallette, C. E.	Snowden, N. P.
Draney, R.	Kelly, S. L.	Nicholson, J.	Stewart, Alex.
Deans, G.	Ker, D. R.	Nicholles, J.	Stamford, J. L.
Dudgeon, J.	Kettle, W. H.	Northcott, J. A.	Tarleton, A. H.
Dodds, T.	Loewen, J.	Prior, E. G.	Toller, A.
English, R.	Levy, J. L.	Phillips, A.	Wickens, R.
Fowler, J.	Luker, W. G.	Pennock, W. H.	Whittaker, W.
Flett, H. T.	Lange, G. B.	Phillips, W. J.	Wenger, J.

FELLOW CRAFT MASONS.

Carthew, John A. Williams, Wm. H.

DIED.

Couves, Augustus C. Harrison, Herbert A.

DEMITTED.

Clarke, W. R. Ellis, R. B. Lindsay, T. D. Smith, W. E. P. Wright, H. M.

SUSPENDED—One.

REJECTED—Three.

RETURNS OF SUBORDINATE LODGES Continued.

Vancouver-Quadra Lodge, No. 2.

VICTORIA, B. C.

Regular Communications are held on the Third Wednesday in each month, at 7:30 p. m.

OFFICERS.

J. Munro Miller, W. M.	D. Wilson, S. D.
P. A. Irving, S. W.	A. M. McKenzie, J. D.
Joseph E. Phillips, J. W.	J. M. Patterson, Steward.
J. F. Becker, Treasurer.	James McArthur, Steward.
A. B. Erskine, Secretary.	E. J. Dawley, I. G.
R. B. McMicking, P. M., Dir. of C.	Wm. Trickey, (not a member) Tyler.

PAST MASTERS.

Beaven, R.	Heisterman, H. F.	Milne, A. R.	Neufelder, E. C.
Dalby, W.	Harrison, Eli Sr.	Manson, Wm.	Ross, D. H.
Grahame, James A.	Harrison, Eli Jr.	Moss, M.	Waite, M. W.

MASTER MASONS.

Batchelor, Job.	Heron, Robt.	Mackintosh, W. D.
Brown, R. A.	Hunter, Jos.	McLennan, Jno.
Bullen, W. F.	Harris, D. R.	McLean, Jno.
Brown, F.	Harding, Thomas	McIvor, Rod'k.
Campbell, F.	Heathcote, G. V.	Purvis, R. L.
Calbreath, J. C.	Isaacs, Jacob.	Rudlin, Geo.
Cunningham, Robt.	Johnston, J.	Rithet, R. P.
Choate, E.	Kriemler, Jno.	Ruckles, Hy.
Coigdarripe, John	Lovell, Jno. B.	Ross, Adam.
Davies, Joshua	Leiser, Simon	Roycroft, H. B.
Ericole, Dominique	Leiser, Gustave	Steele, P.
Flett, James C.	Moody, Thos. G.	Sargison, G. A.
Ferguson, J. B.	Madden, Jer.	Shaw, Thos.
Gilmore, Alex.	Martin, Thos.	Turner, J. H.
Gutman, D.	Morrison, Wm.	Vowell, A. W.
Gamble, F. C.	Montobio, G.	Veulle, F. E. De.
Haynes, Wm.	Meyer, Wm.	Williams, R. T.
Haynes, G. W.	Magnesen, Alf.	Williams, Jno.
		Walker, H. G.

DIED.

Chambers, C. M., P. G. M.

Inge, Thomas.

RESTORED—One.

SUSPENDED—Two.

RETURNS OF SUBORDINATE LODGES--Continued.

Ashlar Lodge, No. 3.

NANAIMO, B. C.

Regular Communications are held on the First Wednesday of each month.

OFFICERS.

Andrew, E. Lees, W. M.
George Thomson, S. W.
George Bevilockway, J. W.
A. Mayer, Treasurer.
C. C. Mc Kenzie, Secretary.
M. Bate, P. M., Organist,

Wm. Stewart P. M., Director of Ceremonies
Wm. K. Leighton, S. D.
Wm. Marshall, J. D.
S. Cameron, Steward.
Hy. Trudell, Steward.
W. Campbell, Inner Guard.
Jno. Bertram, Tyler.

PAST MASTERS.

Brown, J. M.
Craig, R.
Drake, S.
Easson, A.

Frame, John.
Haslam, A.
Westwood, C. N.
Wolfe, M

MASTER MASONS.

Abrams, Jas.
Aitken, Jas.
Aitken, Robt.
Baker, Geo.
Coburn, J. W.
Conick, W.
Cowie, Arch'd.
Cowlin, W. B.
Davis, David.
Davis, L. T.
Dunn, Robt.
Edwards, J. D.
Frame, Jas.
Frame, John.
Gill, A. S.
Gillespie, J.
Grant, Alex.
Hamilton, L. B.
Harris, David.

Horne, A. G.
Horne W. A.
Horth, C. W.
Hoskin, E. A.
Hughes, John.
Kirkwood, Robt.
McCulloch, Wm.
McIver, M.
McKinnell, Andr.
McLachlan, R. K.
McLay, Robt.
McLean, D. J.
McLeod, Arche.
McMillan, Ewen.
Mahrer, John.
Martell, J.
Miller, Thos.
O'Connell, Thos.

Paterson, Jas.
Paterson, Jno.
Puetz, Jno.
Reid, Jas.
Reilly, J. C.
Richardson, W.
Ross, Hy.
Sabiston, J.
Stephenson, David
Stirtun, J. N.
Summerhayes, Alf.
Tamblyn, James.
Thomas, David.
Trounce, Wm.
Trumper, J. A.
Williams, R.
Young, C. N.
Young, Robinson.

ENTERED APPRENTICES.

Henderson, David.

DIED.

W. E. Blackett.

Jos. Webb.

REJECTED—Four.

RETURNS OF SUBORDINATE LODGES—Continued.

Cariboo Lodge, No. 4.

BARKERVILLE, B. C.

Regular Communications are held on the First Saturday of each month.

OFFICERS.

James Stone, W. M.
Christian Hagaman, S. W.
Charles Paulsen, J. W.
Andrew Kelly, Treasurer.

Henry McDermott, Secretary.
Cornelius O'Neill, S. D.
David McKay, J. D.
William Wormold, Tyler

PAST MASTERS.

Dow, Geo. A.
Hagaman, Christian

Goodson, John G.
McDermott, Henry

McLaren, Philip.
Stephenson, William.
Stone, James.

MASTER MASONS.

Glendenning, Peter
Johnston, William A.
Laurent, Joseph H. St.
Thormahlen, Theodore

Lewis, Lewis James
Martin, Edward A.
McMillen, James C.

Pearson, Edward.
Reid, James.
Tronnce, Walter P.
VanVolkenburgh, B. F.

ENTERED APPRENTICE.

Brown, Nicholas Henry.

RETURNS OF SUBORDINATE LODGES—Continued.

Mount Hermon Lodge, No. 7.

VANCOUVER, B. C.

Regular Communications are held on the First Tuesday of each month.

OFFICERS.

C. R. T. Garrioch, W. M.	Edward Cook, J. D.
H. A. Berry, S. W.	D. Bell-Irving, Steward.
John McAllister, J. W.	H. A. Bell, Steward.
H. T. Ceperley, Treasurer.	Giles Shelton, I. G.
Peter McNaughton, Secretary.	Wm. Hogg, Acting Tyler.
Revd. H. T. Edwards, Chaplain.	D. Evans, Organist.
Charles Nelson, Director of Ceremonies.	G. W. Weeks, Auditor.
Gabriel Thomas S. D.	R. C. Ferguson, Auditor.

PAST MASTERS.

Allan, P. A.	Oppenheimer, I.	Springer, Benj.
Black, Geo.	Peck, E. J.	Swett, P. N.
Little, Joseph.		

MASTER MASONS.

Baker, Andrew.	Haywood, W. V.	Magee, G. E.
Carmichael, D.	Hillyer, Chas.	McKinlay, Wm.
Cordiner, P.	Janes, T. J.	McKinnon, Wilson.
Cameron, Jos.	Knox, Wm.	McVean, Hugh.
Colson, C. E.	Mathewson, Wm.	O'Toole, J. M.
Chase, W. H.	Merryfield, Alex.	Smith, Henry.
Dudgeon, Robt.	Marks, A. J.	Scott, Samuel.
Erwin, Wm.	Munnis, J. M.	Schneider, Frk.
Evans, W. H.	Mathewson, M.	Taylor, G. N.
Fraser, A. C.	McManus, D.	Van Braemer, J.
Farr, Ed.	McLachlan, D.	Williams, J.
Gavin, J. J.	McDowell, Jno.	Woods, J. G.
Holmes, Richd.		

FELLOW CRAFT MASON.

Bell, F. G.

ENTERED APPRENTICE.

Boyd, Thos. H.

DEMITTED.

Beattie, John.

DIED.

Humphries, Jos.

REJECTED. FOR DEGREES—FOUR. FOR AFFILIATION—ONE.

RETURNS OF SUBORDINATE LODGES—Continued.

Union Lodge, No. 9.

NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C.

Regular Communications are held on the First Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

John Bule, W. M.
Alexander Charleson, S. W.
R. J. Rickman, J. W.
Ben. Douglas, Treasurer.
Wm. C. Coatham, Secretary.
Rev. Chas. Croucher, Chaplain.

Malcolm McAnkil, S. D.
Wm. Andrew DeWolfeSmith, Dr., J. D.
Jas. V. Rankin, Steward.
L. W. Riske, Steward.
Jas. Wilson, I. G.
Wm. Howay, Tyler.

PAST MASTERS.

Clute, Jno. S.
Duncan, W. A.
Grant, Peter.

Howay, Wm.
Hoy, Henry.
Kelly, R. B.

Murray, Jno.
Mowat, Thos.
Spiers, Jas.

MASTER MASONS.

Binnie, Thos.
Bole, W. N.
Bonson, R. F.
Clapcott, W. G. C.
Currie, Wm.
Cowper, Jesse M.
Campbell, Alf. Al.
Cotton, A. F.
Doane, L. L.
Dodd, Wm.
Dawson, Jno. W.
Elson, Wm.
Forrester, Jas., Jr.
Gray, Thos. W.
Gray, Jno. H.
Gilley, Walter R.
Gauvrian, N. B.
Garrow, Jno. Dr.
Gilley, Geo. W.

Hall, Z. S.
Harvey, Jas. W.
Hendry, Jno.
Hussey, F. S.
Hillyer, Chas.
Jaques, J. G.
Laidlaw, Jas. A.
Lehman, I.
McMillan, Dan.
McLennan, J. C.
McBride, A. H.
McKenzie, George.
McIntosh, R. W.
McGillivray, D.
McDonald, Wm.
McColl, Wm.
McLean, Allan.
McKercher, Alex.

McNeely, Thos.
Mead, Geo.
Millar, Jas.
Mills, Jos.
Moresby, Wm.
Murchie, David.
Montgomery, Jas.
Patterson, Donald.
Rae, Jas. D.
Rich, Harry W.
Sillitoe, Rt. Rev. Bishop.
Stirsky, Frank.
Shadwell, H. B.
Smither, A.
Tingley, Stephen.
Teachner, H. C.
Webster, G. C.
Wiggins, Jno.

FELLOW CRAFT MASON.

McMair, Ebenezer.

DEMITTED.

Davis, Willis.
Hoeker, E. J.

Hadley, M. D. La.
Kennedy, E. F.

McRoberta, Jno.

REJECTED—Four.

RETURNS OF SUBORDINATE LODGES—Continued.

Kamloops Lodge, No. 10.

KAMLOOPS, B. C.

Regular Communications are held on the First Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

S. J. Tunstall, W. M.	J. P. Burnyeat S. D.
E. Stewart Wood, S. W.	D. M. Hasker, J. D.
F. H. Robson, J. W.	D. P. Leonard, Steward.
Thomas Roadley, Treasurer.	W. J. Roper, Steward.
Alex. McGregor, Secretary.	George Loney, I. G.
John Bannerman, Dir. of Ceremonies.	J. D. Ross, Tyler.

PAST MASTERS.

Bannerman, John	Grahame, J. A.	McGregor, Alexander.
Clarke, Sibree.	Horlock, D. H. W.	

MASTER MASONS.

Blake, Miles.	Lee, R. A.	Spinks, A. A.
Duck, Jacob.	Mara, J. A.	Smith, H. W.
Eckersley, Thos.	Noble, Andrew.	Trounce, W. P.
Graham, Thos.	Ridley, H. C. M.	Venn, A. J.
Hill S. C.	Risteon, Geo. F.	Walkem, Geo. A.
Hanna, R. S.		

FELLOW CRAFT MASONS.

Lewis, Geo.	Decker, Isaac.	Serson, Jacob.
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DEMITTED.

Cooper, W. H., P. M.	Shaw, J. J.	Rashdall, G. H.
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REJECTED—One.

RETURNS OF SUBORDINATE LODGES—Continued.

Mountain Lodge, No. 11.

DONALD, B. C.

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Regular Communications are held on the Second Monday in each month:

OFFICERS.

John Hamilton, W. M.	Thomas Augustine Rhythe, S. D.
James Bruce Johnson, S. W.	James Whorton, J. D.
Walter Shanly Ruttan, J. W.	Wm. Freedome Van Antwerp, Steward.
Frederick Edwin Hobbs, Treasurer.	James Wright, Steward.
James Carlton Pitts, Secretary.	William Newman, I. G.
John Edgar Griffith, Dir. of Ceremonies.	Donald H. McLean, Tyler.

PAST MASTERS.

Cameron, Rev. A. H.	Clarke, Sibree.	Downie, Thomas.
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MASTER MASONS.

Black, A. W.	Lewis, D. O.	Rae, T. M.
Erickson, A.	Manuel, G. E.	Robinson, F.
Ferguson, D.	Marpole, R.	Russell, P. J.
Forbes, A. F.	McArthur, A. C.	Spragge, A. G. M.
Hall, R. I. C.	McKay, D.	Wall, J.
Jameson, D.		

FELLOW CRAFT MASON.

King, L.

ENTERED APPRENTICE.

Richardson, W. A.

DEMITTED.

Carmichael, D.	Lilly, W. H.	McKenzie, G. R.
Comer, H.	Matheson, W.	Mee, R.
Cooper, Rev. W. H.	McArthur, J. C.	Newman, F. L.
Goulding, F. J.	McInnes, A.	Penny, T. C.
Johnson, L. R.		

SUSPENDED—Four.

RETURNS OF SUBORDINATE LODGES—Continued.

Cascade Lodge, No. 12.

VANCOUVER, B. C.

Regular Communications are held on the Third Monday of each month.

OFFICERS.

Wm. Downie, W. M.
J. W. Horne, S. W.
J. H. Johnson, J. W.
H. E. Connon, Treasurer.
E. A. Crease, Secretary.
Saml. L. Prenter, Asst. Secy.
G. C. Webster, Director of Ceremonies.

W. D. Creighton, S. D.
Stanley Henderson, J. D.
Jno. Leask, Steward.
C. N. Davidson, Steward.
W. O. Miller, I. G.
Louis S. Clayton, Tyler.

PAST MASTERS.

Cope, F. W.
Johnstone, F. W.

McGowan, A. H. B.
Perry, C. Z.

Salsbury, W. F.

MASTER MASONS.

Alexander, Richard H.
Arkeil, Henry.
Barnett, Thos. E.
Blackmore, William.
Brown, David E.
Brown, George.
Cash, Southan A.
Charleson, D. B.
Choate, Edward.
Craig, Wm.
Clute, J. M.
Carrol, Jno. S.
Doig, James.
Dunn, W. R.

Edwards, E. D.
Forrest, A. B.
Fripp, R. McKay.
Gunn, Jno. W.
Greer, Wm.
Green, Horace.
Grant, Peter A.
Grant, Robert.
Graves, A. M.
Gray, Thomas.
Hodgins, George S.
Hosher, Edward.
Johnson, C. Gardiner.
Loutit, J. J.

McBitty, James.
McDonald, D. L.
McFarland, J. W.
McGeer, James.
McKerracher, J. F.
McGillivray, D.
Mee, Robert.
Highter, P. D.
Robinson, A. J.
Reid, Alex.
Sprague, W. T.
Wilgress, A. T.
Wilson, J. H.

FELLOW CRAFT MASON.

Morrow, George L.

ENTERED APPRENTICES.

Atkinson, Jonathan.
Leonard, Walter.

Morton, David.
Rathgeber, Fritz.

Sloan, William.

REJECTED—Three.

RETURNS OF SUBORDINATE LODGES—Continued.**Spallumcheen Lodge, No. 13.**

LANSDOWN, B. C.

Regular Communications are held on the Saturday after Full Moon
in each month.

OFFICERS.

Rev. Canon W. H. Cooper, W. M.
Geo. Herbert Raehdall, S. W.
John Hamill, J. W.
Robt. Wood, Treasurer.
Richard Stewart Pelly, Secretary.

Charles Lambly, S. D.
Norman McLeod, J. D.
Frank Hassard, I. G.
Cyrus Tilton, Tyler.

PAST MASTERS.

Goldamid, Arthur P.

Clark, Sibre.

MASTER MASONS.

Steel, James.
LeDuc, Thomas.

Macdonald, D. J.

Hall, William.

FELLOW CRAFT MASON.

Law, Jacob.

First Six Officers of Grand Lodge from Date of Organization.

Year.	Grand Master.	Dep. Grand Master.	Senior Warden.	Junior Warden.	Treasurer.	Secretary.
1871	I. W. Powell	J. F. McCreight	S. Duck	H. Nathan	M. W. Waitt	H. F. Heisterman
1872	I. W. Powell	J. A. Grahame	S. Duck	W. R. Clarke	M. W. Waitt	H. F. Heisterman
1873	I. W. Powell	J. F. McCreight	W. Dalby	E. Harrison, Sr.	M. W. Waitt	H. F. Heisterman
1874	S. Duck	F. William	E. Harrison, Sr.	E. Brown*	M. W. Waitt	C. M. Chambers*
1875	S. Duck	F. William	E. Harrison, Sr.	E. Brown*	M. W. Waitt	C. M. Chambers*
1876	F. Williams	E. Harrison, Sr.	C. Thorne*	J. G. Vinter*	M. W. Waitt	C. M. Chambers*
1877	F. Williams	E. Harrison, Sr.	J. G. Vinter*	C. M. Chambers*	M. W. Waitt	E. Harrison, Jr.
1878	E. Harrison, Sr.	J. G. Vinter*	C. M. Chambers*	H. Brown	M. W. Waitt	E. C. Baker
1879	E. Harrison, Sr.	C. M. Chambers*	H. Brown	E. Harrison, Jr.	M. W. Waitt	E. C. Baker
1880	E. Harrison, Sr.	C. M. Chambers*	H. Brown	E. Harrison, Jr.	M. W. Waitt	E. C. Baker
1881	C. M. Chambers*	H. Brown	W. T. Livock	R. B. Kelly	M. W. Waitt	E. C. Baker
1882	H. Brown	M. Bate	T. Trounce	R. Beaven	M. W. Waitt	A. R. Milne
1883	E. C. Baker	T. Trounce	R. B. Kelly	A. R. Milne	W. Dalby	E. C. Neutelder
1884	E. C. Baker	T. Trounce	R. Beaven	J. C. Hughes	H. F. Heisterman	E. C. Neutelder
1885	F. Trounce	W. Dalby	A. R. Milne	W. Stewart	H. F. Heisterman	E. C. Neutelder
1886	W. Dalby	A. R. Milne	J. C. Hughes	H. Hoy	H. F. Heisterman	Henry Brown
1887	A. R. Milne	J. S. Clute	D. H. Russ	A. McKeown	H. F. Heisterman	Henry Brown
1888	A. R. Milne	J. S. Clute	H. Hoy	A. McKeown	H. F. Heisterman	Henry Brown
1889	J. S. Clute	A. McKeown	M. Wolfe	W. Downie	H. F. Heisterman	Henry Brown

* Deceased.

APPENDIX.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

To the M.: W.: Grand Lodge of British Columbia.

With fraternal regards your Committee on Correspondence submits this, their first report. They have received and attempted to review reports from 34 Grand Lodges, as follows:—

Arizona.	Indiana.	New Brunswick.
Arkansas.	Indian Territory.	New Hampshire.
Canada.	Iowa.	Nova Scotia.
California.	Kansas.	Oregon.
Colorado.	Maine.	Pennsylvania. 1887
Connecticut.	Minnesota.	Pennsylvania. 1888
Dakota.	Mississippi.	South Carolina.
Delaware.	Missouri.	Vermont.
District of Columbia.	Montana.	Washington.
Florida.	Nebraska.	West Virginia.
Idaho.	Nevada.	Wisconsin.
Illinois.		

Besides these they received 11 reports for 1889, as follows:—

Louisiana.	Minnesota.	North Carolina.
Manitoba.	Mississippi.	Tennessee.
Massachusetts.	New Jersey.	Utah.
Michigan.	New Mexico.	

These they will hand to their successors in office, that they may receive their proper places in the report of 1889-90.

For the following brief and imperfect review, your committee have no apology to offer, but that of want of ability and time to do better. However, they trust that it will be received by all concerned, in the same spirit that it is now submitted.

JNO. S. CLUTE.

Chairman of Committee.

ARIZONA.

The 7th annual communication was held at Prescott, on the 13th of Nov. 1888, M.: W.: F. A. Shaw, Grand Master.

The Grand Master's address is good—we heartily indorse his remarks upon the two evils "Profanity" and "Intemperance." His three decisions are, we think, correct, and in the right direction. With regard to 'Ritual' he says—"I would recommend that a system of Deputy Grand Lecturers be adopted, and means devised to disseminate our beautiful and perfect system of work."—Arizona did not review Foreign Correspondence. Our R.: W.: Bro. I. Oppenheimer represents this M.: W.: Grand Lodge.

ARKANSAS.

The 49th annual Communication of the M.: W.: Grand Lodge of Arkansas was held at Little Rock, on Nov. 27th-28th, 1888. M.: W.: Bro. W. H. Gee, Grand Master. The Grand Master in his address takes the same line as his Bro. of Arizona, and condemns Intemperance and Profanity—He says: "I assert most positively that these vices are not learned or acquired in the Lodge Room."

His decisions are not all good; for instance:

Question 2nd, Has a non-affiliated Mason the right to prefer charges against a member of a Lodge?

Answer. If wilfully non-affiliated, no. A non-affiliate, however, in good standing, or one unwillingly non-affiliated, may, I think, prefer charges against a member, and when properly presented, it would be the duty of the Master to institute proceedings in accordance with our usual regulations.

We prefer the views taken by the Committee on "Law and Usage," to whom the above was referred.

CALIFORNIA.

M.: W.: Grand Master, Hiram Newton Buckner, called this Grand Lodge to order at 10 o'clock a. m., on the 9th day of October, A. L. 5888, in the city of San Francisco. Besides the present and Past Grand Lodge Officers, there were present, representatives from 187 Lodges. The Grand Master says:—

The Masonic year with us has been prosperous, and to me it has been a very busy one. I have written nearly four hundred letters, and I could not well have curtailed the number. Besides these, many scores of circular letters have been mailed on matters of a special nature.

The craft in California have ample reason for the satisfaction and pride they feel in consequence of the noble work that is being done by

our Boards of Relief. Compared with some other jurisdictions the difference is remarkable. For instance, in the great city of New York, as shown by a late report, the Board of Relief expended for the year but \$961.56 for charity, while the report of our San Francisco Board shows an expenditure of \$9,025.81 during the past year, omitting the salary of the Secretary and other expenses which, when added to the above, makes a total of \$11,004 61. The Boards of Relief of Los Angeles, Sacramento, Oakland and Stockton, are also doing commendable work, and I urge upon you the importance of giving them such aid as their necessities may seem to demand and our resources to permit.

Besides the annual communication there were five special communications for the purpose of laying Corner Stones and dedicating Halls

The chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, Bro. James Wright Anderson, presents a very able report. British Columbia receives perhaps more than is good for her, but we being all good Presbyterians cannot take issue with Bro. Anderson in what he says, as follows:—

We observe the peculiar fact that this Grand Lodge began its Communication on the afternoon of Saturday, and that it was continued on Sunday. The violation of the Fourth Commandment in the transaction of such labor as that of electing and installing officers, etc., was, we presume, amply atoned for by the Grand Lodge in forming a procession, marching to church, and listening to a sermon. We are not finding any fault with our good brethren of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia; but then we somehow thought, as we read, that there is just a slight shade of inconsistency in all this. Of course, these brethren know best what suits their taste, climate, etc.; but we, in California, don't do these things; we are always very good on Sunday, although we will bury a brother on that day without any dispensation. "*De gustibus non est disputandum.*"

We regret very much to learn by a circular, dated April 20th, 1889, that V. V. W. Bro. A. G. Abell, Grand Secretary, has had sickness and death in his family, also that his own health is greatly broken. We offer our sympathy, and trust he will soon be restored to good health. Our R. W. Bro. M. Bate represents this righteous and law abiding Grand Lodge.

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA,

IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

The 33rd annual Communication of this Grand Lodge, was held in the city of Toronto, commencing July 18th, 1888. This Grand Lodge

during the year held six special meetings for the purpose of laying Corner Stones and dedicating Halls. There were 271 Lodges represented at this Communication. M. W. Grand Master Robertson delivered a very interesting address. His decisions number 12, and are, we think, all in the right direction. This Grand Jurisdiction is divided into 17 districts, under as many D. D. Grand Masters, and from their reports we gather that the work is not uniform nor first class in at least some of the Lodges.

The following resolution and amendment thereto was put and lost: That hereafter, all business, except that of balloting for candidates, initiating and passing, be transacted in warranted Lodges in the Third Degree.

Amendment—That hereafter, all business of private Lodges, except initiating and passing, be transacted in the Third Degree.

We think the amendment should have carried, as we are of the opinion that all business should be transacted in a M. M. Lodge.

We feel that the name "Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario is not just appropriate, as at present Canada is composed of 7 Provinces, all having a Grand Lodge of their own, called after their respective Provincial names except Ontario, the Grand Lodge we are speaking of. How would it look if in the District of Columbia, in the United States, the M. W. Grand Lodge should style itself, "The Grand Lodge of the United States," this written in very large letters, but just underneath the words in very small letters, "in the District of Columbia?"

Foreign correspondence are not reviewed. Our R. W. Bro. W. Dalby represents this Grand Jurisdiction.

COLORADO.

The 28th annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, was held at the city of Denver, on the 18th and 19th of September, 1888. M. W. Bro. Kimball, the Grand Master, delivered a very business like address, in which he said:

PAST MASTERS DEGREE.

I have replied to several inquiries relative to the necessity of a newly elected Master, requiring this degree before presiding over his Lodge. My opinion is that this degree, if degree it can be so called, has no place in the Blue Lodge or Ancient Craft Masonry, and trust we will hear of it no more.

What will our brothers of this Jurisdiction, who believe in the "Uniformity of Work," think of the above? Decisions all seem sound. In the review of Foreign Correspondence, British Columbia receives a full page. Our R. W. Bro. W. Stewart represents this Grand Lodge.

CONNECTICUT.

The 101st annual Communication of the M.: W.: Grand Lodge of Connecticut, was held at New Haven, on the 16th of January, 1889. There were present representatives from 76 Lodges. The address of M.: W.: Bro. Mix, the Grand Master, is not long, but chiefly of local interest. In the review of Correspondence, British Columbia receives favorable notice. Among the business transacted at this Session we find the following resolution, which was adopted, and which might in the near future be imitated by this Grand Lodge.

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be directed to procure a suitable number of Past Grand Master's Jewels, to be owned by this Grand Lodge, and to be worn in public processions by the Past Grand Masters of this Grand Lodge.

Our W.: Bro. B. Springer represents this Grand Lodge.

DAKOTA.

The 14th annual Communication of this Grand Lodge was held at Deadwood, on the 12th and 13th days of June, 1888. M.: W.: Grand Master H. M. Wheeler, in his opening address, said :

BRETHREN :—Another year has been added to the age and experience of the Grand Lodge of Dakota ; a year of prosperity and of flattering growth.

The address throughout is good and business like. The " report of the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence " is not long but is well worth reading.

We find no representative of this Grand Lodge near the Grand Lodge of Dakota.

Nor a representative of Dakota in our Jurisdiction, consequently in the review of Correspondence no mention is made of British Columbia. We hope this will be looked into and representatives exchanged.

DELAWARE.

The 82nd annual Communication of this M.: W.: Grand Lodge was held in the city of Wilmington, on the 3rd and 4th of October, 1888.

There were 21 Lodges represented.

The Grand Master said :

It is my pleasing duty to congratulate the craft upon the progress they have made and the brotherly feeling existing throughout this jurisdiction, for everywhere, I believe, peace and harmony prevail.

And further on he said :

With the joy of our present communication comes the mingling of sadness. The grim and silent messenger, death, has invaded our ranks and claimed worthy members prominent among us, viz. :

P. G. M. John Taylor, died April 20, 1888.

P. D. G. M. Swithin Chandler, M. D., died December 21, 1887.

P. J. G. W. Samuel W. Hollingsworth, died August 4, 1887.

P. J. G. W. Isaac K. Shortman, died April 21, 1888.

The places here which once knew them now know them no more ; but their works do follow them.

Let us cherish their memories, imitate their virtues and be prepared to enter that Grand Lodge above where pain and sorrow never interrupt the enjoyment of an eternal rest.

In the review of Correspondence, British Columbia receives her due share. Our R. W. Bro. R. B. Kelly represents Delaware.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

The annual Communication was held at the Masonic Temple in the city of Washington, on the 14th of November, 1888. M. W. Bro. J. W. Lee, Jr., Grand Master, said :

I congratulate you, my brethren, on the prosperous condition of the lodges, and the truly fraternal spirit which pervades this jurisdiction.

Long may it continue.

Besides this meeting, this Grand Lodge held a semi-annual and four special communications. The business transacted at all the meetings was principally of a local nature.

British Columbia is not reviewed. M. W. Bro. Eli Harrison, Sr., represents Columbia.

FLORIDA.

At Jacksonville, on the 17th day of January, 1888, M. W. Grand Master G. S. Hallmark, opened the 59th annual Communication of this Grand Lodge. There are on the roll 96 Lodges, 78 of which are represented. The Grand Master's address is not long but quite eloquent. In speaking of the death of Bro. John Chain he said :

Let his name be long remembered and his virtues imitated. If he had faults, let them be buried with him, where the hands of friendship and love have piously laid him away to rest.

The business transacted was of a local nature. British Columbia receives nearly a page of friendly notice. Our R. W. Bro. W. T. Livock represents this Grand Lodge.

IDAHO.

The 21st annual Communication of this Grand Lodge was convened at Boise City, on September 11th, 1888. There were 17 Lodges represented. The M. W. Grand Master, in his address, recommended a uniformity of work. His remarks with reference to the use of the ballot for selfish purposes are well worth reading. They are as follows :

Every Worshipful Master of a Masonic Lodge should prohibit any discussion as to how members have or may vote, and no inquiry into the ballot should ever be allowed under any circumstances whatever. It is to be hoped that no Mason would ever so far forget his *manhood* and his *Masonic obligations* as to use the *sacred ballot* for *selfish* or *vengeful purposes*. After the ballot has been taken, examined, and result announced by the Master, it is final and conclusive ; nor can it be set aside by the Lodge, Master, Grand Master, or the Grand Lodge.

In the report on Foreign Correspondence, British Columbia is noticed.

Our W. Bro. W. Howay represents this Grand Jurisdiction.

ILLINOIS.

The 49th annual Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Illinois, was held at Central Music Hall, in the city of Chicago, commencing on the 2nd day of October, 1888. M. W. Bro. Grand Master Smith delivers a very interesting and instructive address, covering 38 pages of the 310 of their printed proceedings.

The Grand Master dedicated 7 Halls, and made 25 official visits, at all of which he addressed the Brethren on their duties as Freemasons. In the course of his address on the subject of paid lecturers he says :

There is no more reason why Grand Lodge should pay for ritualistic lectures than that it should pay for lectures on friendship, morality, or brotherly love. There is, I am sorry to say, a tendency on the part of the few to look upon the perfect Ritualist as a model Mason, no matter what his deficiency in all that goes to make a master workman a good executive officer, or a companionable Craftsman. You can no more command the interest of your membership by making the ritual the all-absorbing and ideal thought of Masonry, than you can build up the congregation of a Church by the pastor reciting the creed to his people on every Sabbath, and giving them nothing more. Masonry was founded for social and fraternal purposes, and when you depart from these cardinal and organic principles you reduce the fraternity to a level with the life and health associations of the present day. Better give up Masonry than do this, for you cannot compete with them. The strength

of this fraternity is not in the number of its members, but in the intelligence, virtue and companionship of the Craftsmen.

With regard to the appointment of "Representatives to other Grand Lodges" he says :

There is a growing interest in having well-known and zealous brothers as Representatives near the Grand Lodges of such bodies as are recognized by this Grand Lodge, and the subject is becoming of such importance as to call for a change in the term of appointment. There are appointments to this Grand Lodge of brethren who have not met with Grand Lodge for twenty years, some not now in membership, others who are dead, and a few who have left the jurisdiction or are entirely unknown to Grand Lodge. It is fair to presume that the appointments from this Grand Lodge are as unsatisfactory. In view of these facts, I recommend the adoption of a law making the appointments from this Grand Lodge good for three years from date of commission, new commission to issue the coming Masonic year.

We recommend this to the careful consideration of our own Grand Lodge. Upon report of a Committee this Grand Lodge declined to recognize the Sovereign Grand Lodge of F. and A. Masons of Porto-Rico. In the review of foreign correspondence, British Columbia receives its due share. Our Rt. W. Bro. Neufelder represents this Grand Lodge.

INDIANA.

The 67th "stated meeting" of this Grand Lodge, was held at the city of Indianapolis, beginning at 10 o'clock a. m. on the 22nd day of May, 1888. The Grand East was occupied by M. W. Grand Master Mortimer Nye. There were 462 Lodges represented. This was certainly a large gathering. With regard to condition of the Craft the Grand Master said :

It is with pleasure that I call your attention to the condition of the Craft in this State. We have had an era of prosperity; the increase in membership in this State being *four hundred and twenty-four* in the past year, which shows that many of the Lodges have largely increased their membership and strengthened the Craft in general by bringing within our circle good, true and worthy men, desiring to learn the sublime lessons, and practise more perfectly the living truths of Freemasonry.

In some Lodges, it is true, the working tools are covered with dust. The workmen have not performed their duty. The trowel, however, seems nowhere to have been neglected in its use of spreading the cement

of brotherly love and affection. The ancient landmarks of the Order have been faithfully preserved, and the honor of Freemasonry remains unsullied and unimpaired.

He also pays affectionate tribute to the memory of the faithful departed. During the year there were 6 Grand Representatives appointed, 8 corner stones laid, 5 Halls dedicated, 6 Lodges consolidated and 31 special Deputies appointed. British Columbia is not reviewed. Our R. W. Bro. Robt. Beaven is the Representative of Indiana.

INDIAN TERRITORY.

The 14th annual Communication of this M. W. Grand Lodge was held at Fort Gibson, on November 6th and 7th, 1888. The Grand Master was able to say in his address, that their membership was increasing, and their Lodges generally doing well.

Among his decisions is the following :

Was also compelled to decline giving Parcell Lodge U. D. permission to affiliate Master Masons, as it was contrary to law and usage.

This we believe is according to "law and usage," but it does seem strange to us that a Lodge U. D. can make Masons and cannot affiliate those already made. In the review of correspondence, British Columbia is not mentioned. We notice we have no Representative near the Grand Lodge of Indian Territory, but our V. W. Bro. Shotbolt represents them with us.

IOWA.

The 45th annual Communication of this Grand Lodge, was held at Cedar Rapids on June 5th, 1888. The address of M. W. Grand Master Blackmar is quite lengthy and of considerable interest, at least, in their own jurisdiction. His opinion is that the Grand Master's prerogative should never be used to decide questions contrary to the Constitution of the Grand Lodge over which he presides. Very good. He is also opposed to "Begging Circulars" and "Lottery Schemes." In the Report on "Fraternal Correspondence," British Columbia receives nearly a whole page. Our W. Bro. R. Craig represents this Grand Lodge.

KANSAS.

The 32nd annual Communication of the New Grand Lodge was held in Junction City, on February 15th and 16th, 1888. M. W. Grand Master H. C. Cook, presiding. A very hearty address of welcome was presented the Grand Lodge by the members of Union Lodge No. 7, of that city. The Grand Master's address begins as follows :

Brethren of the Grand Lodge : For the thirty-second time the

brethren of the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge now meet in annual communication ; and never with greater reason for gratitude, than at the present time.

I have the pleasure on this occasion to extend a cordial welcome to the representatives of nearly three hundred constituent Lodges, representing a membership of more than fifteen thousand Craftsmen.

This is certainly very encouraging, and we wish this Grand Jurisdiction continued prosperity.

The address covers 14 pages of their report, and shows that a great deal of work was done. British Columbia receives a page in the review of correspondence. Our W.: Bro. A. Mayer is the Representative of this Grand Lodge.

MAINE.

The 69th annual Communication of the M.: W.: Grand Lodge of Maine, was held in the city of Portland, commencing Tuesday, May 1st, 1888. There were 172 Lodges represented.

The Grand Master in his address, says :

In general, judging from the reports of District Deputy Grand Masters and the returns from the Lodges, harmony and prosperity prevail. An inspection of the returns shows that there has been a net increase in membership, though none of the footings differ very materially from those of last year. A fair amount of work has been done ; an unusual number of new Halls have been built ; calls for charity have been responded to very freely ; new Lodges are being called for and signs of increasing interest are apparent.

There are 187 Lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction, with a total membership of 20,261.

In the report on Foreign Correspondence, British Columbia receives due notice. W.: Bro. M. Wolfe represents this Grand Lodge.

MINNESOTA.

The Grand Lodge of Minnesota held its 35th annual Communication in the city of St. Paul, on the 11th, 12th and 13th of January, 1888. Grand Master Brown's address is of considerable length, dealing chiefly with matters affecting his own jurisdiction.

Speaking on the state of the Craft, he says :

Our institution seems to be enjoying its usual prosperity generally, throughout the Grand Jurisdiction.

On the Temperance question, he says :

Masonry inculcates Temperance as also other virtues. It has continued to do so for centuries, and yet its Lodges never were Temperance Societies according to the common acceptation of that term at the present day. It recognizes the moral accountability of man. It forbids drunkenness in its members, and will expel from all its rights and privileges those who habitually violate the inhibition. Is it necessary that it should go any further ? This subject has of late been agitated in some of the Grand Lodges, and in turn the Grand Lodges have themselves been agitated. If legislation is necessary upon the subject, what shall it be ? Shall it be aimed at him who sells the intoxicant, or against him who uses it to excess ? Or shall it be aimed at both ? And if aimed at the dealer alone, to what extent shall it go ? Shall it reach the manufacturer, the jobber, the wholesale dealer and the druggist, or shall it reach the retailer (saloonkeeper) alone ? These questions are certainly worthy of consideration if there is to be any well considered legislative action taken. For my part, I have a pretty well settled conviction, which I think is as broad as the subject itself. I hold that the man who impairs his faculties and debases his manhood by the excessive use of intoxicating liquors is, before God and among men, the *principal sinner*, and that he who furnishes the liquor is only an *accomplice*, an aider and abettor. To hold otherwise is to scatter the doctrine of the moral accountability of man to the four winds. Therefore, whenever it shall be deemed necessary that any action shall be taken upon this subject by this Grand Lodge, I only ask that it be not hastily done, but well considered ; and that it be done in a true masonic spirit, and in accordance with true masonic principles.

The review of correspondence is beautifully embellished with selections from the poets. British Columbia receives a notice, but no poetry. It appears we have no Representative near the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, neither have they one with us.

MISSISSIPPI.

The 70th annual Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Mississippi was held in the city of Columbus, commencing on the 9th day of February, 1888. There were 201 Lodges represented. M. W. Grand Master, E. Geo. DeLap, read a very lengthy, and to our mind somewhat comical address, in the course of which he said :

I regret my inability to report a general revival of interest all along the line, but I am of the opinion that in many localities there has been an awakening, and that, on the whole, we have lost no ground during the year.

The year has been a busy one for your Grand Master, and his experience has convinced him that when a lazy man aspires to the office of Grand Master he makes a mistake.

Speaking of his decisions and prerogatives, he says :

I have always believed in the doctrine that the Grand Master is amenable to no law. That he is not only the executor of the law, but is a law unto himself. In my opinion there is but one thing that a Grand Master cannot do in the exercise of his authority over the Craft, and that is, to make innovations upon "The Body of Masonry."

Even if this is admitted, we think a Grand Master should not give a decision contrary to an express provision of the Constitution of his own Grand Lodge, except that provision be diametrically opposed to the edicts, laws, and usages of Masonry generally.

The Grand Master had a great many difficulties to settle. Consequently had a pretty busy time of it during his year.

A great deal of work was done at this meeting, in the way of adopting reports, amending the Constitution, &c. British Columbia receives a short notice. There seems to be no exchange of Representatives.

MISSOURI.

The 68th annual Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Missouri, assembled in Masonic Hall, City of St. Louis, October 9th, 1888, at 10 o'clock a. m.

The Grand Master commences his address by saying :

BRETHREN : I meet you with cordial greetings at the opening of the 68th annual Communication of our Grand Lodge. I bring good tidings from all parts of our Grand Jurisdiction. The past year has been one of unusual prosperity among our people. The heart of the husbandman has been made glad by abundant harvest. Success has crowned the efforts of business enterprise.

Further on he says :

I recall, as of practical importance, and not covered by reports of former Grand Masters, only one ruling made since the last session of the Grand Lodge. As an appeal is pending therefrom, it is proper that it should be reported. The Grand Lodge has heretofore decided that, upon a Masonic trial, the record in a *criminal* proceeding

against the defendant for the same offense with which he stands charged before the Lodge, may be read in evidence.

Can the judgement or decree in a civil case be so used?

I present, upon that point, for your consideration the following decision :

Where the pleadings in a civil suit, to which a Mason is a party, and in which he has the right, as well as the opportunity, to appear, present the sole issue as to his guilt or innocence of a crime, the judgment or decree therein is competent evidence in a Masonic trial for the same offense.

This Grand Lodge seems to be in a very prosperous condition, having a balance to its credit of \$11,393.49.

The Grand Orator must be a very modest man, for we read that he declined to furnish a copy of his Oration for publication.

A resolution was offered with regard to re-organizing the Grand Lodge, by which the title "Very Worshipful" is wiped out, and only Most Worshipful, Right Worshipful and Worshipful used

The "Report on Correspondence" is quite extensive, covering 183 pages of their very interesting journal. British Columbia failed to send in their report, consequently no review. Our V. V. W. Bro R. B. McMicking represents this Grand Lodge.

MONTANA.

This M. V. W. Grand Lodge, in its 24th annual Communication, met in the city of Missoula, on October 3, 1888. D. G. M. Logan in the chair, who read the Grand Master's address, in the course of which he says :

The harmonious relations which it has always been the good fortune of our Grand Lodge to maintain with other grand jurisdictions, has continued without interruption during the past year.

Among his decisions we find the following :

I decided that a man employed upon a railroad without permanent residence might apply for the degrees to any Lodge upon his route, and that the Lodge so selected would have jurisdiction, and having so acquired it, such jurisdiction would continue until all the degrees were conferred by it or waived in favor of some other Lodge upon said route.

The business done was of a local nature. There are 30 Lodges with a total membership of 1541. British Columbia receives a

friendly notice. We find no account of Representatives either here or at Montana.

NEBRASKA.

In Grand Lodge, at its 31st annual Communication, at Lincoln, Grand Master M. J. Hall said :

The past has been a prosperous year to the Masonic Craft of this jurisdiction. Prosperous, not alone in the acquisition of a goodly number of perfect ashlar to our temple, but in the successful completion of many important designs drawn upon trestle boards by master workmen inspired by charity, and executed in peace and harmony.

And with regard to foreign relations, he says :

Our relations with fellow Grand Lodges in this and other countries are of the most satisfactory nature. No draft has been made during the past year upon our sympathies, on account of devastation caused by disease, earth-quakes, conflagration or inundation, nor has financial aid been solicited ; but peace and prosperity appear to have waited upon the progress of Masonry throughout the world.

During the year he granted 14 dispensations, 16 special dispensations. Laid 7 corner stones, dedicated 2 Halls, and gave 16 decisions.

Decision 11 is as follows :

A demitted Mason may, upon his petition, be elected to membership without having first visited the lodge.

We do not agree with this decision. Correspondence is not reviewed. Bro. R. P. Rithet represents this Grand Lodge.

NEVADA.

This Grand Lodge, it appears, is built upon a mine of wealth, for Grand Master Fitzgerald, at Virginia City, in his opening address said :

BRETHREN :—Again we are assembled in Grand Lodge : this time in the famous city built upon the Comstock Lode.

The business transacted was of a local nature, except four cases of invasion of Jurisdiction by other Grand Lodges, speaking on this subject the Grand Master said :

The foregoing—four cases of invasion pending in one Grand Lodge "at one and the same time"—in a very striking manner brings us face to face with a question which in other jurisdictions than Nevada is now disturbing the peace and harmony of the builders of the Grand Masonic Temple on earth : that question is whether

each Grand Lodge shall have *exclusive* jurisdiction over the territory in which it is situated ; or whether all Grand Lodges, "whithersoever dispersed around the globe," shall have *concurrent* jurisdiction of the entire earth. I believe it is unquestionably better for Masonry that each Grand Lodge have exclusive jurisdiction and control over its territory and all "material" therein.

Number of working Lodges 26 ; Master Masons on the roll 1031. No report on Correspondence. Our W. : Bro. James Brown, represents this Grand Jurisdiction.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

The 21st annual Communication was held in the city of St. John, commencing on the 24th day of April, 1888. M. : W. : Grand Master Jas. McNichol in the East. There were 21 Lodges represented.

The Grand Master in his address said :

During the twenty years existence of this Grand Lodge there has been a slow but steady growth of the Order. At the time of its formation there was a membership of 1312. From this number there has been a steady increase, until at the present we have on our roll (as will appear by the Grand Secretary's report) a membership of 1833. During this time there has been a very large increase by Initiations and Affiliations, which, I regret to say, has been materially reduced by Withdrawals and Suspensions.

It affords me pleasure to be able to report that the most friendly relations continue to exist between this Grand Lodge and the other jurisdictions with whom we are in fraternal communication.

The past year has been rather an uneventful one in Masonic circles in this Province, and as a consequence there is nothing of much importance to report. I am pleased to say, however, that the Craft are enjoying a moderate degree of prosperity, and that peace and harmony prevail.

He also speaks in feeling terms of the fraternal dead.

There is no report on Foreign Correspondence. Our late and lamented M. : W. : Bro. Coote M. Chambers represented this Grand Lodge, but he has been called from labor and entered his eternal rest.

So when a good man dies
For years beyond our ken,
The light he leaves behind him lies
Upon the path of men.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

The 99th annual Communication of the M.: W.: Grand Lodge was held in the city of Concord, on May 16th, 1888. There were 76 Lodges represented. Grand Master Burleigh said :

The status of one year ago is substantially maintained throughout the jurisdiction, the returns showing a small gain in membership during the year. The Order is in a sound and healthful condition. No great activity prevails in any quarter, and there seems to be no discordant element in sight to mar the general prosperity.

The following regulations (which we recommend to our Lodges) were adopted :

It is hereby made the duty of committees on character of applicants for initiation to report upon each of the following named points :

1. What is the applicant's age?
2. Where is his residence (specifying locality in town or city as near as may be), and has he a legal residence in the place of his present domicile?
3. Is he married or single, and if married, is he living with his wife?
4. What is his occupation, and where is he employed?
5. Is he physically qualified for admission?
6. Is he addicted to the intemperate use of intoxicating liquors?
7. Does he gamble, or associate with bad characters?
8. Does he habitually use profane or indecent language?
9. Has he a good character among his neighbors?
10. Does he possess education and intelligence to understand and value the principles of Freemasonry?
11. Has he previously made application for the degrees, and if so, when and where?
12. Are there any other facts known to the committee which should properly be brought to the attention of the Lodge before balloting?

There are on the roll of this Grand Lodge 76 Subordinate Lodges, with a membership of 8194. There were 51 Lodges represented at this Communication. In the review British Columbia receives a page. Our R.: W.: Bro. Eli Harrison Jr., represents this Grand Lodge.

NOVA SCOTIA.

The 23rd annual Communication of the M.: W.: Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia, was held in the city of Halifax, commencing on

the 6th day of June, 1888. There were present representatives from 40 Lodges. After opening the Grand Lodge, under the direction of R.: W.: Bro. R. L. Black, as Grand Director of Ceremonies, and headed by the band of the Sixty-third Volunteer Battalion, proceeded to St. Paul's Church, where divine service was performed by the Rev. Bros. D. C. Moore, Clarence W. McCully and Alfred Brown, and a sermon was preached by R.: W.: Bro. the Rev. Charles Bowman, D.D., from the text: John 1: 51.

The Grand Master in the course of his address said:

It is, however, much to be regretted, I think, that we are not all of one mind, and uniform in our ritualistic work.

The most important case dealt with at this Communication, was that of a Master of a Lodge, who had initiated a candidate who had lost one arm. The Grand Lodge passed a resolution suspending the W.: Master from all Masonic privileges for one year and censuring the Lodge for sustaining the action of the Master. A jewel was presented to the M.: W.: Past Grand Master Bro. General Lawrie, for eminent services rendered the Craft. British Columbia is not mentioned in the review. Since the close of this Communication R.: W.: Bro. B. Curren, Grand Secretary, has passed away. Bro. Curren was much respected as a gentleman and a Mason, and his death will be very much regretted in that jurisdiction. We have no record of a representative of this Grand Lodge near us.

OREGON.

This Grand Lodge held its 38th annual Communication in the city of Portland, on the 13th of June, 1888. Besides the annual Communication, there were two special Communications, one held at Corvallis, for the purpose of laying the corner stone of the State Agricultural College, and the other at Eugene, for the purpose of dedicating the Hall of Eugene City Lodge. At the annual Communication there were 78 Lodges represented. The Grand Master's address is brief, and is confined to matters affecting his own jurisdiction. There were then in Oregon 76 chartered Lodges, and 4 U. D., with a total membership of 3494. British Columbia is not reviewed. V.: W.: Bro. Heisterman represents this Grand Lodge.

PENNSYLVANIA.

This Grand Lodge holds quarterly Communications. The annual meeting was held at Philadelphia, on December 27th, 1887. Grand Master Eichbaum says: "Nothing has occurred to disturb

the friendly relations existing between this and neighboring jurisdictions."

On the 23rd of April, he called an Emergent Meeting of the Grand Lodge, for the purpose, as he says, of exercising the prerogative of a Grand Master to make a Mason at sight and by virtue of his presence.

The meeting was largely attended, though it had not been publicly notified to the Craft, to the majority of whom it was not known that the Grand Master had such a privilege.

So far as we know this "prerogative" is not often exercised.

The finances of the Grand Lodge are in a good condition, and Masonry seems to be progressing in Pennsylvania. In the review of Correspondence, British Columbia is not mentioned.

The annual Communication for the year 1888, was also held at Philadelphia. At this time there were 76 Lodges represented.

The Grand Master in his address says :

We may congratulate ourselves on the very prosperous condition of the Craft throughout the jurisdiction. The accession to our numbers is as large as it should be for a healthy growth, and the applicants for initiation are carefully scrutinized.

A commendable effort to obtain a desirable uniformity in the work of the Lodge has been rewarded with gratifying success, much of which is owing to the painstaking care of the Schools of Instruction in Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, and Allegheny, and the efforts of the District Deputy Grand Masters.

The Journal of their Proceedings is a well gotten up volume of 379 pages, and contains two fine steel engravings, one of Past Grand Master S. C. Perkins, the other of Past Grand Master S. B. Dick. In the review of Correspondence for 1887-8, British Columbia receives more than a page. Our R. W. Bro. D. H. Ross represents this Grand Lodge.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

The 112th annual Communication of this M. W. Grand Lodge was held in the city of Charleston, on the 11th and 12th of December, 1888. M. W. Grand Master A. H. White presiding. There were present representatives from 138 Chartered Lodges.

The Grand Master in his address said :

I am glad to report that peace and harmony prevail throughout this jurisdiction, and although owing possibly to the failure of the harvests

to a certain degree in some parts of the State, the Craft is not as prosperous as it might otherwise have been, yet I am glad to be able to say that while some Lodges are only holding their own, others have been busy for the greater part of the year, in the conferring of many degrees and the working in of good material.

The relations of this Grand Lodge with its sister Jurisdictions continue to be as peaceful and pleasant as ever, and we are therefore at peace with the entire Craft.

British Columbia is not reviewed. Our M. W. Bro. H. Brown, represents this Grand Jurisdiction.

VERMONT.

The 95th annual Communication of this Grand Lodge, was held in the city of Burlington, commencing on the 13th day of June, 1888. There was a special Communication held at Bennington, on the 16th of August, 1887, for the purpose of laying the corner stone of Bennington Battle monument. It was a great meeting of prominent men and Masons. The account of the ceremony, the oration, addresses and speeches as recorded in the proceeding, are all beautiful, and well worth reading. At the annual Communication there were 87 Lodges represented.

The Grand Master said :

Brethren from the shores of the River and the Lake, from the borders of the old Bay State, and the Dominion, from every hill and vale, hamlet and town between, I give you cordial welcome to our ninety-fifth Annual Communication.

The year has been a prosperous one. Never since I became familiar with the workings of the different Masonic organizations, have I seen a more earnest desire manifested, not only to excel in ritualistic work and ceremonial, but to become better posted in the law and philosophy of Masonry, and to turn out material qualified to stand the test of an overseer's square that should measure the mental and moral worth of the man.

The death of their Past Grand Master, L. C. Butler, is feelingly alluded to.

His sunny spirit was like a stream
In whose calm depths the beautiful and pure are mirrored.

Among the Grand Master's decisions we find the following :

9. A dispensation is necessary to permit a Lodge to confer a degree upon one of its own candidates at a District Meeting held outside of its own jurisdiction.

We do not understand this, as we do not know what a *District Meeting* of a Lodge *outside of its own Jurisdiction* means.

In the review, British Columbia receives a fair notice. Our R. W. Bro. Sibree Clarke, represents this Grand Lodge.

WASHINGTON.

Grand Master Joseph Smith opened this Grand Lodge in its 31st annual Communication at Port Townsend, on the 13th day of June, 1888. There were 44 Chartered Lodges represented. An address of welcome, on behalf of the Masonic fraternity and citizens of Port Townsend was presented, and an invitation to join in a Clam-bake, and attend a complimentary ball extended. The Grand Master in the course of his address said :

It affords me great pleasure to report to you that our relations with other Grand Lodges in communication with us are of the most friendly and harmonious character. Masonry in our own Jurisdiction was never in a more prosperous condition than at the present time. Peace and harmony prevail in all our Lodges, and our prospects for the future are bright and encouraging. Thousands of people are coming to our territory to make permanent homes, and amongst them we find many influential men, and many good and true Masons are affiliating with us. Our ranks are rapidly filling up, and the roll of members of our Lodges lengthening.

There was a special Communication of this Grand Lodge, held at Olympia, on the 7th of February, 1888, for the purpose of attending the funeral of their late Bro. Past Grand Master, James Biles.

There are 49 Lodges in this Jurisdiction, with a total membership of 2276.

British Columbia receives a notice in the review. There is bound with this Journal the Constitution, Rules, By-laws and Regulations of the Grand Lodge of Washington. Our V. W. Bro. M. W. Waitt represents this Grand Lodge.

WEST VIRGINIA.

On the 13th day of November, 1888, in the city of Parkersburg, the 24th annual Communication of this Grand Lodge was held. Besides the annual, there were eight special Communications held during the year. These specials were for the usual work of laying corner stones, dedicating Halls, and constituting Lodges.

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The Grand Master in his address says :

The death of Past Grand Master, Thomas H. Logan, proved to be the saddest event of the year. The announcement of this misfortune in this Grand Body will revive the sorrow we all felt at the time it occurred. Were we to write a volume expressive of our sorrow and loss we could not fill the measure.

There were representatives from 83 Subordinate Lodges in attendance at this meeting. There are 86 Lodges on the roll, with a total membership of 3874.

This volume contains two fine steel engravings, one of Grand Master Gustave Brown, and one of Grand Lecturer J. M. Bedeville. British Columbia receives a page of friendly notice. Our M.: W.: Bro. Eli Harrison, Sr., represents West Virginia.

WISCONSIN.

This was the 44th annual Communication, and was held in the city of Milwaukee, on the 12th day of June, 1888.

M.: W.: Bro. E. S. Elliott said :

The year has been quiet but prosperous ; no epidemic has ravished our homes, nor have any serious calamities befallen us.

Speaking of those "at rest" he said :

Our losses by death have not been above the average of former years, but among those gone from us I record with great regret the name of J. S. Reynolds, who was elected at our last Communication R.: W.: Grand Senior Warden of this Grand Lodge.

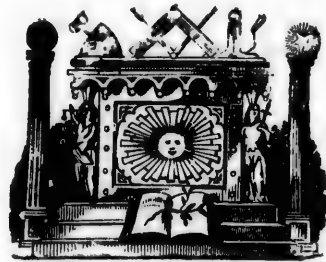
In the death of Bro. Reynolds the Grand Lodge and the fraternity of this State lose one of their brightest and most promising workers. Generous, enthusiastic, talented, devoted, he must, assuredly, have taken a high position in our Craft.

In conclusion, he says :

Although I can claim but little of the credit, it gives me the greatest satisfaction to know that the Craft within this State was never more harmonious, never more prosperous than now. The angel of peace seems to have taken up her permanent abode within our Lodge room walls, and if discord has attempted to enter, she has been rapidly driven back. Signs of awakening interest are seen on every hand. It is peculiarly interesting to note the increased attention being given to the principles, as distinguished from the work of our Society. Even now, the impression is too generally entertained that a "bright Mason" is he

who with glib tongue can rattle off the ritual, while the brilliancy of his brightness is too often measured by the length of his memory. That officers and members should be learned in our ritual is essential to the interests of our work, but, it should not be forgotten, that the ritual is of modern date, while the principles it is used to illustrate are beyond the memory of man.

At this Communication, our R. W. Bro. J. S. Clute was commissioned to represent Wisconsin with us.



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AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION,

Passed in Grand Lodge, June 24th, 1889.

Clause 3; 5th line :

Delegate any master of a Lodge.

Clauses 9, 10 and 13 :

District Deputy Grand Masters rank after Grand Secretary.

Clause 13 :

Past District Deputy Grand Masters rank after Past Grand Secretaries.

Clause 18 ; 3rd line :

In lieu of Saturday read *Thursday*.

Clause 20 ; 3rd line :

In lieu of XI read *IX*.

Clause 70 ; 5th line :

In lieu of 25 per cent. read *10 per cent*.

Clause 129. No brother shall be admitted a member of a Lodge by affiliation, without a regular proposition in open lodge, *nor* until his name, occupation and place of abode, as well as the name and number of the lodge of which he is or was last a member, shall have been sent to all the members, with the summons for the next regular lodge meeting, at which meeting the Brother's Grand Lodge Certificate, or a demit from his former lodge is to be produced and the decision of the brethren is to be ascertained by ballot.

Clause 129 (a). No brother shall be admitted to membership in any Lodge, who is already a member of a Lodge

in this Jurisdiction (unless he be an Honorary Member, when his application may be received in the prescribed form).

Clause 131 :

Strike out all after " Master " on 9th line.

Clause 132 : Struck out.

Clause 136 ; 18th line :

And *if for the degrees* it shall require an unanimous vote to elect.

Clause 137 : Struck out.

Clause 139 (a.)

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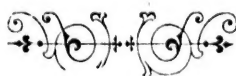


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